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A police officer responds to the shooting Wednesday in Ottawa. SEAN KILPATRICK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

TERROR HITS HOME

"Canada is not immune to the types of terrorist attacks we have seen elsewhere around the world," Prime Minister Stephen Harper said to the nation Wednesday night, in the wake of the attack on Parliament Hill.

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Connection between attacks in Ottawa and Quebec?

Canadian ISIS recruits. The Islamic State of Iraq and al-Sham's calls for attacks at home have security, intelligence officials worried

How do you stop someone with a weapon and a mission?

That has been the fear among security and intelligence officials in recent weeks as ISIS called for attacks at home.

It is the easiest form of terrorism — no need for sophisticated plots, or training, or financing — but as Wednesday's killing of Cpl. Nathan Frank Cirillo in the heart of Canada's capital showed, even simple attacks can elicit the widespread panic and attention these groups crave.

Many details about Cirillo's killing and the motives of the shooter, identified as Michael Zehaf-Bibeau, are still unknown. Was there any connection to Martin Couture-Rouleau, 25, who killed 53-year-old Warrant Officer Patrice Vincent Monday in a hit-and-run in Quebec? Did Zehaf-Bibeau have any ties abroad?

But no matter the connections, followers of ISIS benefited from the worldwide attention as they gloated on social media soon after Cirillo's death. "Canada getting a taste of their own medicine?" wrote one. Another prolific ISIS supporter wrote: "Canada starting to pay the price of intervention."

Along with spreading panic, terrorism is intended to deliver message, and the message seems clear: Canada's military involvement in the campaign against ISIS will be punished.

Military institutions and personnel have always also been seen as targets since Canada's involvement in the war in Afghanistan. CFB Borden, a base north of Toronto, was one of the targets of the so-called Toronto 18 terrorism plot that was thwarted in 2006.

Following the killing of a British soldier in Woolwich last year, the Canadian Security Intelligence Service issued a threat assessment focusing on vulnerabilities of Canadian forces.

"Simple, straightforward attacks using readily available weapons and minimal preparations on undefended targets are a better match with the actual capabilities of most extremists," reads the threat assessment that seemed to foreshadow the events this week. Zehaf-Bibeau killed with a rifle; Couture-Rouleau with a car.

The threat level only increased with Canada's high-profile role in fighting ISIS and the contribution of air support and small force of military advisers.

Amarnath Amarasingam, a post-doctoral fellow at Dalhousie University's Resilience Research Centre, who has been studying Canadian ISIS recruits, says Wednesday's attack perfectly suited the group's narrative. "They're calling for Muslims to defend the Islamic State but if they can't travel, then Muslims around the world are to attack at home to support the caliphate."

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A police officer patrols a street in Ottawa on Wednesday in the wake of what Prime Minister Harper called a terrorist attack.
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Officials say Ontarians should look out for 'radicalized' individuals

Suspicious activity. Provincial authorities urge citizens to be 'vigilant' after attacks this week

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"We have a number of individuals in Ontario that we believe are high-risk travellers.... We're working towards determining levels of threat and harm."

OPP deputy commissioner Scott Tod

Ontario's Community Safety Minister Yasir Naqvi has urged citizens to be "vigilant" in the wake of attacks on Parliament Hill on Wednesday. RENE JOHNSTON/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Ontarians need to "be vigilant" and alert for "radicalized" individuals in the wake of attacks on Parliament Hill and soldiers in Montreal and Ottawa, police and Community Safety Minister Yasir Naqvi warn.

"If you see any suspicious activity, please report it to police," Naqvi told a news conference with Premier Kathleen Wynne and high-ranking OPP and RCMP officers.

OPP deputy commissioner Scott Tod said citizens should watch for anyone they know who may become withdrawn or distant and using the Internet to find ideas on carrying out "some kind of violence."

Authorities already have a watch list of what are becoming popularly known as homegrown extremists drawn to the Middle East where Canada is joining efforts to quell the Islamic State militants.

"We have a number of individuals in Ontario that we believe are high-risk travellers," Tod added. "We're working towards determining levels of threat and harm."

The attack on Parliament Hill raised questions about safety at Queen's Park, the country's second-largest seat of government, where security officers are not armed and rely on Toronto police when risk levels are raised. Extra police were highly visible at the legislature as it went on high alert.

Wynne said she will leave the decision on whether to arm officers to legislative security officials, while interim Progressive Conservative Leader Jim Wilson insisted "we should have armed security in the building at all times and not wait five minutes for the Toronto police to show up."

The tragic events in Ottawa will be considered as security is reviewed, said Speaker of the Legislature Dave Levac, cautioning: "You cannot stop everything from happening."

Naqvi said he was told by federal officials last Friday they were considering an elevation to threat levels but did not have any "specific or imminent threat."

NDP Leader Andrea Horwath said, "I don't believe that it's necessary to arm everybody to the nines and to have a situation where people don't feel comfortable." TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

AG recommended security changes for Hill in 2012

The people's house is supposed to be the safest in the country.

But even before Wednesday's violence there have been calls for improved security to protect Parliament Hill.

In 2012, federal Auditor General Michael Ferguson implored the government to combine the RCMP's Parliament Hill detachment, which protects the prime minister and the grounds, with the 320-officer House of Commons Security Services that guards the Commons and the West Block and the Senate Protective Services that oversees security in the Senate and the East Block.

"The House of Commons administration, in consultation with its security partners, should examine the costs of providing the same capacity for response across the Parliamentary precinct, and the possibility of moving toward a unified security force for the Parliamentary precinct," Ferguson recommended.

While the administration agreed with the auditor general's findings, they still haven't been implemented.

Duff Conacher, co-founder of Democracy Watch, warned Wednesday that the security system is flawed.

"Anyone can enter the front doors of any building on the Hill — especially Centre Block — and won't even be questioned until they are 20 feet inside," said Conacher of the airport-style metal detectors in use.

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"Anyone can enter the front doors of any building on the Hill."

Duff Conacher, co-founder, Democracy Watch

"They will then be questioned only by someone who is usually sitting behind a desk, unarmed, or someone standing in a large, wide hallway, who will direct them to go over to one side or the other and walk through a detector. The detectors don't, in any way, cover the entire front entrance of any of the buildings," he said.

"Anyone could easily run into any of the buildings and by the time the person standing there or at the desk got up and ran after them they would be well inside the building. I can only guess that those with decision-making power assumed that what happened today would never happen because those decision-makers decided to essentially leave the doors open to having this happen." TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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Sergeant-at-arms hailed as a hero on Parliament Hill

Selfless action. Longtime RCMP vet and head of House of Commons security led the sweep resulting in the shooter's death

Kevin Vickers, the decorated RCMP veteran serving as the black-robed sergeant-at-arms on Parliament Hill, is being hailed for his valour after he reportedly shot down an armed gunman storming the Centre Block on Wednesday morning.

Kevin Vickers

Parliament Hill Sergeant-at-Arms Vickers hasn't slowed down despite his age.

- **Young for his age.** Standing six-foot-four and powerfully built, 58-year-old Kevin Vickers wears formal black robes, a tricorn hat, carries a ceremonial sword and the Mace for the opening and closing of the Chamber each day. Vickers is a fit man, runs many lunch hours to stay in shape, and wears a 9 mm pistol in his duties on the Hill.

The gunman was fatally shot near the doors of the Library of Parliament, at the north end of the Hall of Honour, just steps away from Vickers' office.

"MPs and Hill staff owe their safety, even lives, to Sergeant-at-Arms Kevin Vickers who shot the attacker just outside the MPs' caucus rooms," NDP MP Craig Scott said on Twitter.

Late into the day as most of the downtown core emptied, the security lockdown continued on Parliament Hill, where Vickers, was overseeing the ongoing police operation, a source said.

Speaking from Victoria, Vickers' brother John told Torstar News Service he didn't know any details of what happened Wednesday morning. However, he said family had received word from Vickers confirming he's OK.

"More than anything we're just relieved. When I heard the gunfire and watched it on CBC — you're in family mode and just want to know how he is. It sounds like he's OK," John said.

John said Vickers is passionate about his role on Parliament Hill, adding that he doesn't believe his brother ever had to use his gun during his earlier 29-year career as an RCMP officer. Messages of thanks and praise for Vickers' reported deed lit up social media through the day from MPs and people across Canada.

Sergeant-at-Arms Kevin Vickers of the House of Commons is being hailed for his bravery after he shot down an armed gunman storming the Centre Block on Wednesday morning. PAWEL DWULIT/THE CANADIAN PRESS

"It doesn't surprise me that when his nation called upon him, he was there," said John. "We're incredibly proud of him."

Vickers is hard to miss on Parliament Hill. Canadians might remember him as the man who firmly but gently led the protesting page Brigitte DePape out of the red senate chamber after she held up a "Stop Harper" sign.

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Vickers had illustrious RCMP career

Appointed sergeant-at-arms in 2006 after a lengthy RCMP career, Kevin Vickers brought with him a reputation for soft-spoken diplomacy. He told the local Telegraph-Journal he found it comforting to see fathers and sons tossing Frisbees on the lawn of Parliament Hill. He also said he didn't want to see fences around Canada's Parliament.

"In America, security trumps all," he told the newspaper. "I don't think that's the Canadian way."

He ascended the RCMP's ranks, serving in multiple leadership roles, while working on homicide investigations and global drug smuggling cases.

Honoured in 2011 by the World Sikh Organization for ensuring the ceremonial kirpan dagger could be worn on Parliament Hill, Vickers is also a recipient of the Queen's Jubilee Medal, the Canada 125 Medal and the RCMP Long Service Medal. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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Man with same name as alleged gunman had a record

Tragedy strikes Ottawa. Shooter identified by law enforcement officials as Michael Zehaf Bibeau

A man with the same name as the gunman slain in Wednesday's shooting in Ottawa had an extensive criminal record for petty crimes in Quebec as well as a single prior in Vancouver from three years ago.

Highly placed law enforcement officials have identified the shooter as Michael Zehaf Bibeau, born in 1982.

According to Quebec court records, a man with that name would have turned 32 last week, on Oct. 16, putting his year of birth as 1982.

A search of the publicly available Quebec court records database suggests he had a lengthy criminal record with several convictions and brushes with the law in the early and mid-2000s.

The records appear under three different names — Michael Bibeau, Michael Zehaf Bibeau and Michael Bibeau Zehaf.

The earliest of the 13 identified Quebec court records dates back to June 2001 in Montreal.

The last time his name appears in the provincial court database is for a charge in 2006, also in Montreal. For that marijuana-related count, he pleaded guilty in court in 2009 and received an absolute discharge.

Twelve of the 13 cases resulted in convictions. Four of them are drug-related, with those charges dating back to 2004, '05 and '06. A 2001 charge on impaired driving resulted in a fine and suspended licence a year later.

In another case, he received a six-month sentence in 2003 and three years' probation on a weapons charge. There was also a prior conviction for assault causing bodily harm in 2001 for which he received a suspended sentence and a fine in 2002.

His longest sentence was for robbery, possession of break-in tools, theft and conspiracy with a co-accused in 2003. He was sentenced to two years in jail and three years' probation in that case. Other convictions are for breach of probation in 2003 and for twice breaching bail conditions in 2004.

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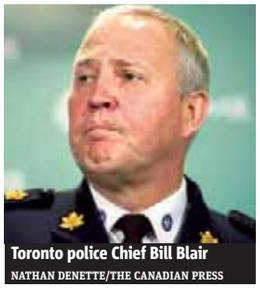
Toronto police step up presence after deadly attack



Toronto police Chief Bill Blair
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Toronto's police chief has ordered additional security measures in the country's most-populous city following this week's attacks on soldiers in Ottawa and Quebec.

"I believe that it is necessary and prudent to put in place enhanced security precautions to ensure the safety of our citizens and of our city," Blair told a news conference Wednesday, hours after a soldier was killed in an attack in Ottawa.

"Accordingly, Torontonians will see today and over the coming days a very visible police presence at various public institutions and public spaces."

Those public institutions include Queen's Park, Toronto's city hall, courthouses, consulates, the subway system as well as military facilities, Blair said.

At the same time, he stressed that there was no specific or identified credible threat to any individual, group or public institution in Toronto at this time.

Blair said the aim was to reassure people who are obviously concerned at what happened in the capital earlier in the day.

At the National War Memorial in Ottawa, a reservist from Hamilton was killed by a masked, rifle-wielding gunman, who then moved up the street to launch an attack on nearby Parliament Hill, in which at least two people were injured.

Just two days earlier, a man ran down two soldiers south of Montreal, killing one of them.

Blair said he had asked all of his officers to be vigilant in the wake of the attacks.

Calling it a "difficult day for our country," he also urged the citizens of Toronto to be vigilant as well.

"If you see something that concerns you, or if you become aware of anything suspicious, please do not hesitate to call and we will respond," Blair said.

Vowing not to be complacent, Blair also said he had cancelled some police leave to enhance security.

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Fallen soldier 'always wanted to serve' Canada

Cpl. Nathan Cirillo. Mourners came to pay their respects to the 24-year-old father killed while on duty in Ottawa

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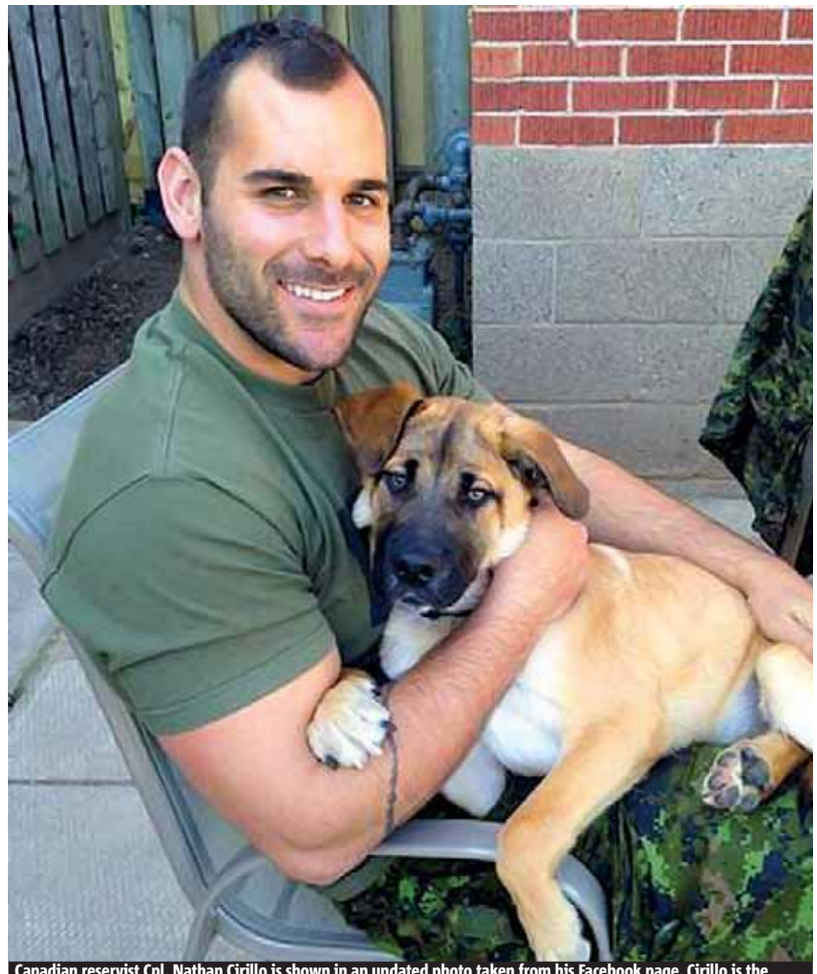

Canadian reservist Cpl. Nathan Cirillo is shown in an undated photo taken from his Facebook page. Cirillo is the soldier killed in Ottawa Wednesday while guarding the National War Memorial. HANDOUT/FACEBOOK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Cpl. Nathan Cirillo wanted to serve Canada in the military since his days at Sherwood Secondary School, when he wrote in his friends' yearbooks that they would all go to Afghanistan together.

But that would never happen.

"He always wanted to serve his country," said his friend Jimmy Doan, at the James Street Armoury in Hamilton, where friends of Cirillo gathered on Wednesday evening.

"At the time, that's where help was needed and he always wanted to be the person to help," said friend Alana Schneider.

After the news broke that Cirillo, 24, was the reservist shot and killed in Ottawa Wednesday, his high school friends went to the Armoury in Hamilton, the home of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, where Cirillio served as reservist.

Mourners left flowers all afternoon and into the evening as reservists, who wore street clothes since they were warned not to wear their uniforms in public, filed in through the armoury gates.

Cirillo's friends remembered him as the class clown who always made everybody laugh.

Cirillo has two sisters and parents in Hamilton whom he is close to, his friends said.

Schneider's fondest memory of Cirillo was eating army food under a tree near their school. He'd been bragging about it and then brought some for his friends to try.

"It was awful," she said.

He has a young son named Marcus. Cirillo met the boy's mother, Kendra, at the Ancaster Fair after Cirillo and Doan were escorted out for not paying their way in, recalled Doan.

Kendra and a friend asked them for a ride home, he said. "And voilà."

Jason Melnyk, also a high school friend, said Cirillo worked at GoodLife Fitness and loved working out. He last saw him at the gym, where he was lifting 210 pounds.

"He made it look easy, which pissed me off," he said.

Schneider said he was always strong, and recalled Cirillo lifting her up over his head and throwing her into a lake back in high-school, she said.

A young woman who came by the James Street Armoury to pay her respects is a family friend and babysits Cirillo's son Marcus. She asked not to be named.

Cirillo was funny, but would never take jokes too far, she said.

"When we were little he would grab us, pick us up and throw us over his back," she recalled.

Jesse Beattie, who served with Cirillo in the reserves, said he was "funny, outgoing and adventurous."

Remembrance

"He was funny, outgoing and adventurous."

Jesse Beattie, who served with Cpl. Nathan Cirillo in the reserves.

In memoriam

Cpl. Nathan Cirillo is remembered as a strong man who had a passion for life.

- **On his strength:** "Oh my goodness, in high school he lifted me straight over his head just like that and poof, chucked me in the water at the lake. So funny." — Alana Schneider
- **On loving life:** "Bouncers in general can carry quite an ego and attitude, but he was the opposite. Kind and nice, smiling always. He definitely loved his life." — Blake Prince, a friend of Cirillo and bartender at Club Absinthe, where Cirillo had worked as a bouncer
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Students in ‘scary’ lockdown

A student from London, Ont., described a tense atmosphere in lockdown at the University of Ottawa.

Emily Cordes, 22, spoke to Metro from inside the university, just a brief walk from Parliament Hill, as shootings unfolded Wednesday.

A soldier died after being shot while standing guard at the National War Memorial. The man believed to be the shooter is also dead, officials have said. Two more shooting victims are said to be in stable condition at hospital.

Cordes said everyone was afraid. Some students were trying to keep the mood light, even watching shows on Netflix, but everyone was staying as silent as possible.

“All of the university and much of the city is locked down,” said Cordes, who’s studying communication with a minor in French as a second language.

“All students who were on campus at the time of lockdown were told to stay on campus in locked classrooms with lights off.”

Asked about the mood at the university, Cordes said it was “quite varied.”

“A lot of students in this room don’t seem too concerned and are passing the time watching Netflix and chatting with each other.

“Others like myself are wanting to follow instructions and stay silent until we are told we can leave.

“Nonetheless, it’s a very scary experience for all involved — even those who are taking it lightly.”

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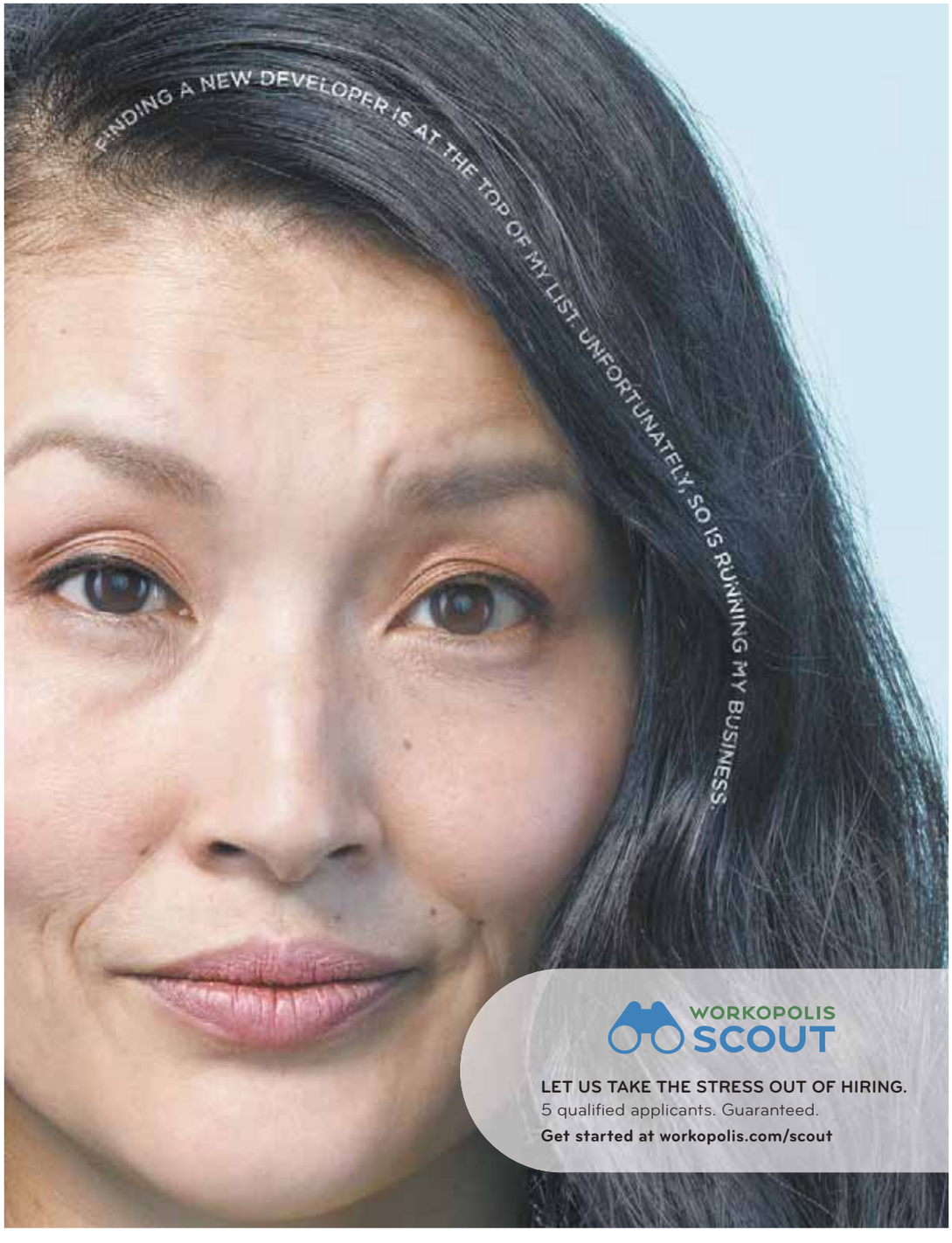
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A police car blocks a street in Ottawa on Wednesday after a soldier standing guard at the National War Memorial was fatally shot by a masked gunman.

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No reason to worry, terrorism expert says

Public safe. Two attacks on soldiers likely unrelated, shooter probably a ‘lone wolf’: Prof

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Two attacks on Canadian soldiers in three days are unlikely to be operationally related and while the public is understandably shocked, “it would be a mistake to be scared,” according to a University of Calgary terrorism expert.

“I think it’s right to be concerned, but not worried,” Gavin Cameron, a political science professor who specializes in international relations and terrorism, said Wednesday.

“As a member of the general public, the likelihood of being directly affected by terrorism is tiny. Even after today, it’s still tiny.”

Cameron said he would be “surprised” if there was a “formal connection” between Martin Couture-Rouleau, who ran down two soldiers with his car near Montreal on Monday, and Michael Zehaf-Bibeau, who shot a soldier in Ottawa Wednesday.

“The guy on Monday was under fairly tight surveillance in the weeks leading up to his attack,” Cameron said. “So the likelihood that he’s part of wider group and the RCMP missed it … strikes me as probably less likely than that he was simply a lone wolf.”

While there is some “chatting” on social media between like-minded individuals, Cameron said “planning operational details” is difficult for large groups of radicalized militants, due to authorities’ electronic surveillance.

“It’s relatively small groups and, more often even than that, it’s individuals that are being motivated to participate, with loose connections to the wider movement but only very limited operational connections to other activists,” he said.

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Ottawa thrown into chaos after gunman storms the Hill

Police secure an area around Parliament Hill on Wednesday. A gunman opened fire at the National War Memorial, killing a soldier, then moved to nearby Parliament Hill and wounded a security guard before he was shot, reportedly by Parliament's sergeant-at-arms. ADRIAN WYLD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Rampage. Shooter killed, but police remain on lookout for more suspects

TREVOR GREENWAY
Metro in Ottawa

Ottawa went into siege mode Wednesday after a gunman rampaged into Parliament Hill's Centre Block shortly after he shot and killed a Canadian Forces reservist who was guarding the National War Memorial.

A high-ranking federal official confirmed Wednesday that the gunman killed in Wednesday's deadly shooting incident was Michael Zehaf-Bibeau, according to The Canadian Press.

Cpl. Nathan Cirillo has been identified as the soldier killed by Zehaf-Bibeau at the National War Memorial.

The Hamilton-based reservist was standing as the honour guard at the memorial when he was shot. He later succumbed to his injuries.

On Wednesday night, police reinstated a lockdown in some areas of downtown Ottawa before later calling it off.

Police said there's no longer a threat to public safety in the downtown core. However, an investigation is ongoing on Parliament Hill. The Hill is closed to the public.

The RCMP are leading the investigation. More police presence is expected in the downtown area over the next few days.

According to witnesses, Cirillo was shot twice at "point-blank" range before the gunman ran toward Parliament's Centre Block. Several MPs said House of Commons Sergeant-at-Arms Kevin Vickers then fatally shot the gunman.

In a release issued Wednesday afternoon, police confirmed Zehaf-Bibeau had been killed. No other suspects are in custody, though police said others are being sought.

In a separate release, Ottawa Hospital said it had received three shooting victims from Wednesday's incident. Two are listed in stable condition.

Police refuted earlier reports of a separate shooting at the Rideau Centre mall.

Footage captured by a Globe and Mail reporter also shows police opening fire within the Hall of Honour.

Liberal Senate staffer Stuart Barnable told Metro he saw the whole shooting happen from his office on the East Block of Parliament.

"The guy pulled up outside the war memorial, jumped out of his car, got out with a rifle and shot at the guys who guard the war memorial. He hit one by the look of it. The other (soldier) booted it.

"(The shooter) ran back into his car, backed up Wellington (Street), and then swerved around and came up and jumped out and ran up towards the House of Commons. He had a long rifle."

Barnable said the man pulled the plates off a grey Toyota Corolla.

"He ran up the Hill and had a scarf covering his face. I ran down and told security to lock the doors."

Tony Zobl, 35, said he saw the soldier being shot from his office window above the war memorial.

"I looked out the window and saw a shooter — a man dressed all in black with a kerchief over his nose and mouth and something over his head as well — holding a rifle and shooting an honour guard in front of the cenotaph point-blank, twice," Zobl said.

"The honour guard dropped to the ground and the shooter kind of raised his arms in triumph."

Scott Walsh was working in a manhole near the East Block building when he said he heard gunshots. He then saw the ensuing panic and a gunman he said had long black hair and a face covered with a white scarf.

"He had a double-barrelled shotgun, he was about five feet from me and he ran right beside us, ran past the woman with the stroller and child."

The gunman then hijacked a car at gunpoint and drove it toward the Peace Tower.

The incident comes just two days after two Canadian soldiers were run over — and one of them killed — in Quebec by a man with jihadist sympathies.

Witnesses and those who have seen anything suspicious are urged to call 911, Crime Stoppers or Ottawa police directly at 613-236-1222, ext. 5493.

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Malala events called off

Prime Minister Stephen Harper's office said two events scheduled for Wednesday in Toronto with Nobel Peace Prize winner Malala Yousafzai were cancelled.

- Harper was to moderate an afternoon question-and-answer session with Yousafzai at a Toronto high school.
- He was then scheduled to head to a downtown hotel, where the 17-year-old was to receive honorary Canadian citizenship.

Malala Yousafzai
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On the scene

Witness describes close call with shooter

Barry Willis, a contractor for Bell Canada who was working in front of Parliament Hill at the time of the shooting, said he heard five or six gunshots and saw the shooter running by him carrying a large firearm, possibly a shotgun or rifle.

"He turned around, pointed the gun at me and I dove behind my truck," said Willis, who was still rattled by the incident after speaking to the RCMP. "Another young parliamentarian type of guy dove into my truck."

Willis described the gunman he saw as a "very young" man wearing a "blue-and-white headscarf" and a long coat.

"I'm shaken up. I'm ex-military and I've never had a gun pointed at me like that," said Willis as police ushered him and other bystanders to a safer area along Elgin Street across from the National War Memorial.

Jennifer Wiebe was on lockdown inside a Sparks Street office building. Police evacuated her and others about two hours later.

"It's certainly unnerving to know (because) Parliament is a very public place and (there are) lots of people," she said.

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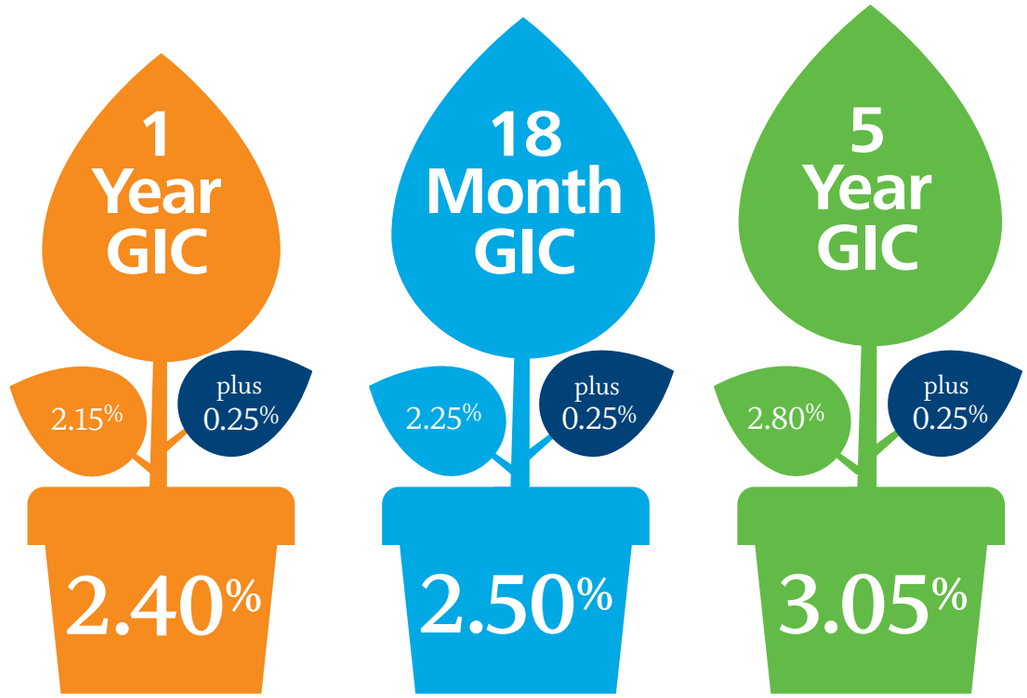

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Scenes from a dark day

Wednesday's shootings sent Ottawa into a surreal state of lockdown as police, paramedics and citizens responded to the morning's violence, which left two people dead.

1 Securing Parliament

Police secure the scene of a shooting on Parliament Hill in Ottawa on Wednesday. A Canadian soldier standing guard at the National War Memorial had been shot by a then-unknown gunman and there were reports of gunfire inside the halls of Parliament.

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2 Searching for suspects

Police point their guns toward the roof of a building on Sparks Street as they search for a possible second suspect.

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3 Evacuation

An RCMP officer stands guard as office workers are evacuated from a building on Sparks Street. **JOE LOFARO/METRO**

4 Barricading the door

A photo by Conservative MP Nina Grewal shows MPs barricading themselves in a meeting room on Parliament Hill after shots were fired inside the building.
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5 Mass exit from Parliament

Conservative MPs are transported in an Ottawa transit bus from the Parliament buildings. **SEAN KILPATRICK/THE CANADIAN PRESS**

6 Vehicle connected to shooting

An older-model Toyota Corolla, which is believed to be connected to the shooting, sits parked and idling in front of Parliament Hill Wednesday morning.
JOE LOFARO/METRO

7 Paramedics respond

Police and paramedics tend to the soldier shot at the National Memorial, later identified as Nathan Cirillo of Hamilton, Ont., who died of his injuries.
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Advice to parents of kids exposed to tragedy in Ottawa

Talk, listen. Words for parents tasked with helping children understand shootings in nation's capital

The extraordinary events on Parliament Hill on Wednesday had the look of a Hollywood movie or a video game.

But the fatal shooting of a reservist soldier at the National War Memorial and the killing of a gunman in the Centre Block of the nearby Parliamentary complex are starkly real events that will likely be distressing for children, psychologists warn.

They have some advice for parents who may be faced with the troubling task of trying to explain to children actions that are heinous and events that are tragic.

Here are some tips:

Talk and listen. Mainly listen

There is no way to shelter children from this event — they will hear about the attack, says Sandra Mendlowitz, a clinical psychologist in the anxiety disorders program at Toronto's Hospital for Sick Children and an assistant professor of child psychiatry at the University of Toronto.

"These can be very scary moments and you need to talk to your child about what their worries are and what their concerns are. And you need to be truthful, but in a way that is (age) appropriate," she says.

"Find out what they're worried about. Find out what they know. Because sometimes parents assume kids know things that they actually don't know."

Gear your explanations to your audience

David Wolfe, a psychologist who specializes in issues affecting children and youth at Toronto's Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, says young children are going to be pretty concrete in their thinking and are likely to ask a question like: "Can he come here to my house and shoot me?"

Children who are 10, 11, 12 are at the age where they're starting to realize that the world is a more complex and less safe place than they previously understood. This age group may be very troubled by these events.

Parents should assure children that they are safe, but will also have to explain — at least to the older ones — that sometimes bad things happen.

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Grade 5 children from Vancouver's St. Francis Xavier School wait on the B.C. legislature steps in Victoria on Wednesday. The children were turned away following the shooting incidents on Parliament Hill in Ottawa. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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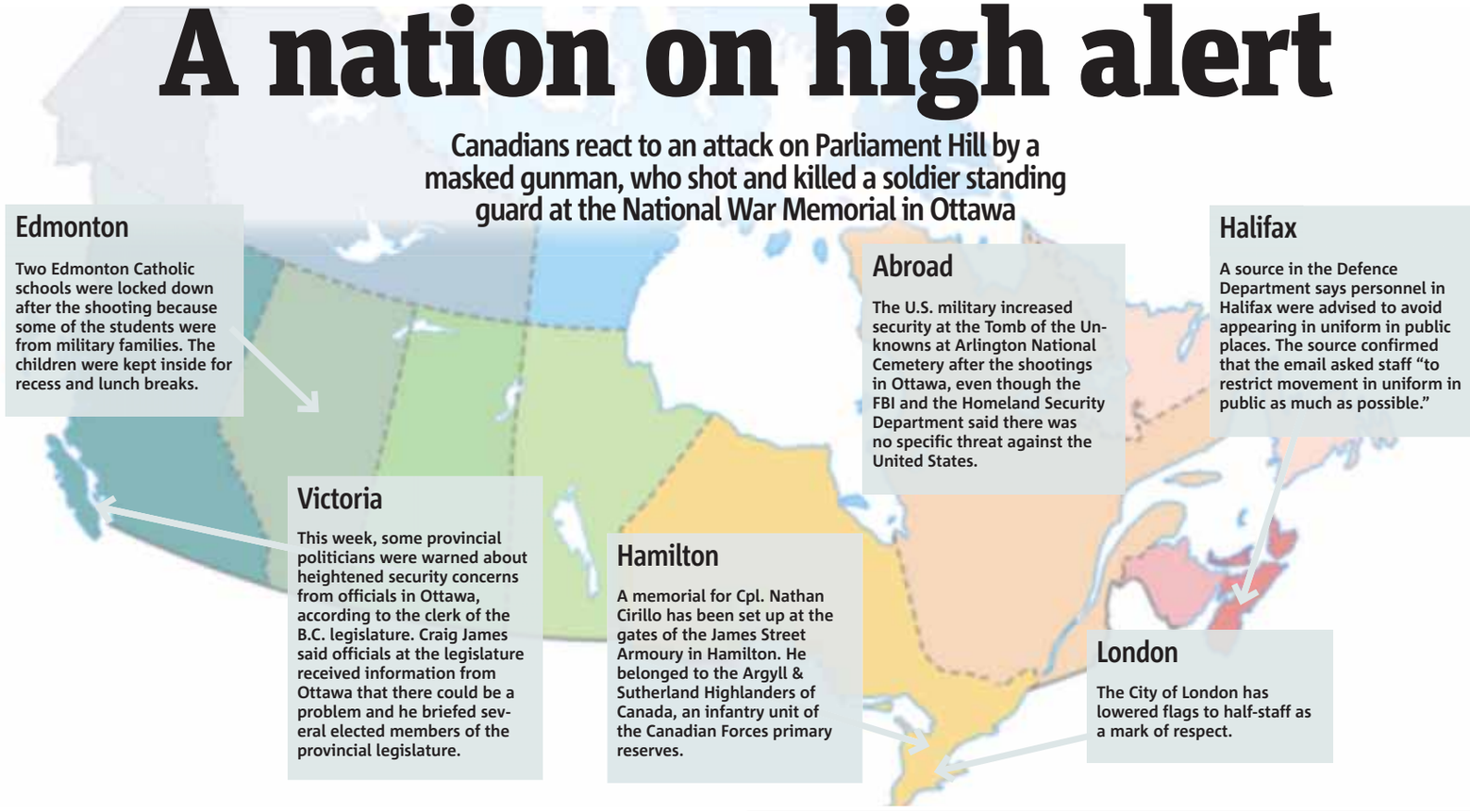
A nation on high alert

Canadians react to an attack on Parliament Hill by a masked gunman, who shot and killed a soldier standing guard at the National War Memorial in Ottawa



Edmonton

Two Edmonton Catholic schools were locked down after the shooting because some of the students were from military families. The children were kept inside for recess and lunch breaks.

Victoria

This week, some provincial politicians were warned about heightened security concerns from officials in Ottawa, according to the clerk of the B.C. legislature. Craig James said officials at the legislature received information from Ottawa that there could be a problem and he briefed several elected members of the provincial legislature.

Hamilton

A memorial for Cpl. Nathan Cirillo has been set up at the gates of the James Street Armoury in Hamilton. He belonged to the Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders of Canada, an infantry unit of the Canadian Forces primary reserves.

Abroad

The U.S. military increased security at the Tomb of the Unknowns at Arlington National Cemetery after the shootings in Ottawa, even though the FBI and the Homeland Security Department said there was no specific threat against the United States.

Halifax

A source in the Defence Department says personnel in Halifax were advised to avoid appearing in uniform in public places. The source confirmed that the email asked staff "to restrict movement in uniform in public as much as possible."

London

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Transit relief fast track: More surface vehicles

Your Ride: Day 8.
New mayor can help commuters by answering this question: What are we going to do about decreased bus, streetcar levels

EDWARD KEENAN
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If you took transit to work today, chances are good that you crammed yourself onto a bus or a streetcar. As much as we love to ride — and obsess about — subways, the vast majority of TTC passengers either begin or end their trip on a surface vehicle. And it's not your grouchy morning imagination: They have been getting more crowded. One pressing question in this election is, what are we going to do about it?

During the two terms of David Miller's government, bus service was drastically increased, which led to corresponding ridership increases that set new records for people travelling on the TTC. But the Ford administration cut bus and streetcar service levels, and the number of riders has continued to grow. This means both less frequent service and more crowded vehicles. That's a recipe for a crappier commute.

Olivia Chow has the most clearly defined plan to deal with this. She launched her campaign talking about better bus service and refined her plans in reaction to information from the TTC.

She promises to invest $15 million a year to increase bus service, and $184 million to buy more buses and streetcars and build new garages. She says she'll pay for this using money from an increase in the Land Transfer Tax on houses worth more than $2 million.

Doug Ford promises to put $30 million into improving bus service right away, which sounds good. But he doesn't offer a detailed plan, and says the money will come from unspecified savings in the existing TTC budget.

Given the Ford brothers' history of both failing to find promised "gravy" in budgets and of cutting bus service during budgets, I don't find this promise particularly credible.

John Tory has pledged to implement more express bus routes (serving, for instance, Don Mills, Liberty Village and Dufferin), but otherwise his platform is silent on service levels and operating budgets. This is disappointing in a candidate leading the polls.

I understand, as a bus and streetcar rider myself, that talk about bus service doesn't fire our imaginations — it just reminds us of our dreary daily frustrations. But in the short term, if we're going to get transit relief from our new mayor, this is where we'll see it. And feel it, in the amount of elbow room we have on our daily commutes.

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Woman, 40, charged over dead infants in locker

Andrea Giesbrecht. Winnipeg resident faces six counts of concealing a body, forensic tests should give case more clarity

Police have charged a woman who was renting a storage locker where the remains of six babies were found, but they say it could be months before they know who the infants were or how they died.

Andrea Giesbrecht, 40, was arrested outside her home in north Winnipeg. Const. Eric Hofley said she faces six charges of concealing a body and one charge of breaching probation. Giesbrecht has also used the name Andrea Naworynski. Hofley said it will take an extensive forensic investigation to determine if she is related to the dead infants.

The state of the remains discovered Monday was such that police were initially unable to determine how many babies were in the locker. Their ages are still unknown, but they are believed to have been newborns, he said.

"The forensics that are going to be involved in this investigation, they're numerous," Hofley said Wednesday. "It will be a long time before we're able to answer these questions — if at all."

There are no homicide charges right now and police aren't interviewing any other suspects, Hofley added.

Greg Brodsky, Giesbrecht's lawyer, said he had seen a preliminary outline of the charges and met with his client. "She's in bewilderment," he said.

Giesbrecht was initially arrested on murder charges, but those weren't the charges that were filed with the court, Brodsky said. That indicates the autopsy and forensic investigation isn't complete yet, he said.

"The forensic examination is really important," Brodsky said. "There has to be an autopsy conducted in order to determine where this case is going." The breach of probation charge laid by police relates to two charges for fraud over $5,000 that were laid against Giesbrecht in 2012. She was sentenced to probation on those charges last month, Brodsky added.

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Police in Winnipeg say they have discovered the remains of as many as six dead infants in a city storage locker.

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Fraudster who faked coma pleads guilty

A British fraudster who pretended to be quadriplegic and sometimes comatose for two years to avoid prosecution has been convicted after police caught him on camera driving and strolling around supermarkets.

Alan Knight of Swansea, Wales, stole more than 40,000 pounds ($64,000 US) from an elderly neighbour, prosecutors said.

Faced with the supermarket video evidence, he pleaded guilty to 19 counts of forgery, fraud and theft.

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California

Huge gold nugget hitting the market

One of the biggest gold nuggets found in modern times in Northern California is going up for sale.

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Ebola vaccine testing moving quickly: CEO

VSV-EBOV. Doubters wonder if small U.S. company is capable of getting Canadian-made medicine on the ground

Dr. Charles Link, founder of NewLink Genetics Corp., is pictured in a lab in 2005 in Ames, Iowa. NewLink holds the licence for a Canadian-made Ebola vaccine and Link says testing is moving ahead swiftly.

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The CEO of the company that holds the licence for a Canadian-made Ebola vaccine has a message for people who are frustrated by how long it is taking to get it into use in West Africa.

The race to get the vaccine, called VSV-EBOV, safety tested and made in sufficient quantities so that large studies can be rolled out in affected countries early next year is moving at warp speed, he suggests.

"There haven't been any delays. We couldn't go any faster without really doing things dangerously," said Dr. Charles Link, CEO and chief scientific officer of NewLink Genetics in Ames, Iowa.

In the circles of people working on plans to contain the devastating Ebola outbreak, there has been a lot of mumbling and some serious grumbling about whether NewLink — a small biotech focused on developing cancer vaccines — has the experience and wherewithal to push this important project forward.

Earlier this week, Amir Attaran, a University of Ottawa law professor, said the Canadian government should terminate NewLink's licence, or green-light other manufacturers to make the vaccine using the so-called "carve out" clauses in the contract. They permit Canada to enlist other vaccine makers in emergencies.

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‘CANADA WILL NEVER BE INTIMIDATED’

Prime Minister Stephen Harper in a screengrab of his televised statement from an undisclosed location in Ottawa on Wednesday night, the full transcript of which is below. PMO/THE CANADIAN PRESS

My fellow Canadians.

For the second time this week, there has been a brutal and violent attack on our soil. Today our thoughts and prayers are with the family and friends of Cpl. Nathan Cirillo of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders. Cpl. Cirillo was killed today, murdered in cold blood as he provided a ceremonial honour guard at Canada’s National War Memorial, that sacred place that pays tribute to those who gave their lives so that we can live in a free, democratic and safe society.

Likewise our thoughts and prayers remain also with the family and friends of Warrant Officer Patrice Vincent, who was killed earlier this week by an ISIL-inspired terrorist.

Tonight we also pray for the speedy recovery of the others injured in these despicable attacks.

Fellow Canadians, we’ve also been reminded today of the compassionate and courageous nature of so many Canadians — like those private citizens and first responders who came to provide aid to Cpl. Cirillo as he fought for his life. And of course the members of our security forces, in the RCMP, the City of Ottawa police, and in Parliament, who came quickly and at great risk to themselves to assist those of us who were close to the attack.

Fellow Canadians, in the days to come, we will learn more about the terrorist and any accomplices he may have had. But this week’s events are a grim reminder that Canada is not immune to the types of terrorist attacks we have seen elsewhere around the world.

We are also reminded that attacks on our security personnel and on our institutions of governance are by their very nature, attacks on our country, on our values. On our society, on us Canadians as a free and democratic people who embrace human dignity for all.

But let there be no misunderstanding. We will not be intimidated. Canada will never be intimidated. In fact, this will lead us to strengthen our resolve and redouble our efforts and those of our national security agencies to take all necessary steps to identify and counter threats and keep Canada safe here at home, just as it will lead us to strengthen our resolve and redouble our efforts to work with our allies around the world and fight against the terrorist organizations who brutalize those in other countries with the hope of bringing their savagery to our shores. They will have no safe haven.

While today has been without question a difficult day, I have no doubt Canadians will pull together with the kind of firm solidarity that has seen our country through many challenges. Together we will remain vigilant against those at home or abroad who wish to harm us.

For now, Laureen and I and Ben and Rachel join all Canadians in praying for those touched by today’s attack. May God bless them and keep our land glorious and free.

NDP Leader Tom Mulcair

‘We will not forget’

“I stand here tonight in solidarity, side-by-side with my colleagues, with our Prime Minister and with all Canadians.

“This attack struck with sudden and deadly violence.

“It was intended to make us more fearful of our neighbours and less confident in ourselves.

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“Today’s events have instead only succeeded in drawing us closer, in making us stronger.

“We woke up this morning in a country blessed by love, diversity and peace, and tomorrow we will do the same.

“Canada is shaken today, but we shall not waver.”

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Liberal Leader Justin Trudeau

‘We will get answers’

“It was a cowardly act. An unarmed man was murdered in cold blood.

“Losing ourselves to fear and speculation is the intention of those who commit these heinous acts.

“We will remember who we are. We are a proud democracy. A welcoming and peaceful nation.

“We have remained Canadians and this is how we will carry on.

“The picture (we have) in our minds (is) of Canadians helping and protecting Canadians. That is who we truly are.”

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Twitter

@MikeKX947: Thoughts are with the young man who lost his life standing on guard for thee

@EdmontonOilers: Stay strong, Canada.

@AndrewLawton: praying for all those serving their country with pride and honour in Ottawa. #OttawaStrong

@mackaytaggart: Beyond powerful. Hours after deadly shooting in Ottawa, soldiers back on guard at National War Memorial.

@SimoneStop: thank you to the men and women who run towards the danger to keep us safe. #RCMP #StaySafeOttawa

@birdspxtting: Thank you everyone that’s praying for my city

@laura_toniolo: days like today should remind us to always be thankful for our canadian soldiers, police & RCMP #TrueNorthStrong #PrayForOttawa

@OttawaFuryFC: Today was a sad day, but seeing the support from the soccer community across Canada, the US and beyond is very touching #TrueNorthStrong

@Nicrobinson28: Thank you for your support as our country recovers from a tragic day @penguins. My thoughts are with his loved ones #canadastrong

@richbirch: Miss Canada tonight ... miss my home and native land. #TrueNorthStrong

@Faulksnation: Today we aren’t Conservatives, Liberals or NDP’s... today we aren’t West Coast or East Coast... What we are is United!

Leaders react to shooting

“I had a chance to travel to the Parliament in Ottawa ... I am reminded of how warmly I was received and how wonderful the people there were. And so, obviously, we’re all shaken by it.” U.S. President Barack Obama

“I’m appalled by today’s attack in Ottawa. I offer my full support to @pmharper and the Canadian people as they deal with this incident.”

British Prime Minister David Cameron via Twitter

“I spoke w/ @pmharper & expressed our condolences & solidarity w/ Canada, following the horrific murder of a Canadian soldier.”

Prime Minister of Australia Tony Abbott via Twitter

“Together with all of Canada, Sharon and I are shocked and deeply saddened to learn of today’s attacks.”

Canada’s Governor General David Johnston

“(My) thoughts are with the people and government of Canada at this difficult time.”

Statement on behalf of UN Secretary General Ban Ki-Moon

With lots of love from Pittsburgh

A sell-out crowd belted out O Canada as the Canadian flag was flashed on the scoreboard and projected onto the ice at the Consol Energy Center before the Penguins game against the Philadelphia Flyers, Wednesday night, in Pittsburgh, Pa. The Canadian anthem is normally played in U.S. hockey arenas only when a Canadian team plays. ANGIE CARDUCCI/TWITTER

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Allegiance, adultery, betrayal launch Ellroy's second quartet

Festival of Authors. L.A. Confidential author says his new novel is the first of four prequels

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He's known as the demon-dog of American crime-fiction. And with his latest book, Perfidia, novelist James Ellroy might have finally lived up to his hyperbolic nickname.

The book's title is a reference to perfidy or deceit, a term that could work as the title for almost any Ellroy novel. But the author says it's especially fitting for this one.

"This is a novel of largely allegiance, adultery and betrayal. Everyone is at a level of duplicity."

Set against the backdrop of America's entry into the Second World War and the internment of Japanese-Americans after the bombing of Pearl Harbour, Perfidia is the first book of what Ellroy calls his Second L.A. Quartet.

If that doesn't already sound confusing, this second quartet is a prequel to the first (which included L.A. Confidential and the Black Dahlia, both turned into feature films). It also completes a trilogy of collections that ends with the Underworld USA Trilogy.

It took Ellroy nine months to create the blueprint for Perfidia — he even had to go back and re-read the seven books that precede it in order to reacquaint himself with many of the characters who reappear in the book. But that superstructure provides the spine from which the next three books will spring.

"I leave nothing to chance," he says.

Once completed, the 11 books will make up a piece of historical fiction that spans 1941 to 1973 and exposes the "secret human infrastructure of great public events," where a group of "fictional characters exist at the centre of history and rub elbows with the celebrated people of the era."

Speaking with a typically over-the-top self confidence, Ellroy says that including historical facts in his works of historical fiction gives him the opportunity to exploit these people and events. "History is there for my re-writing."

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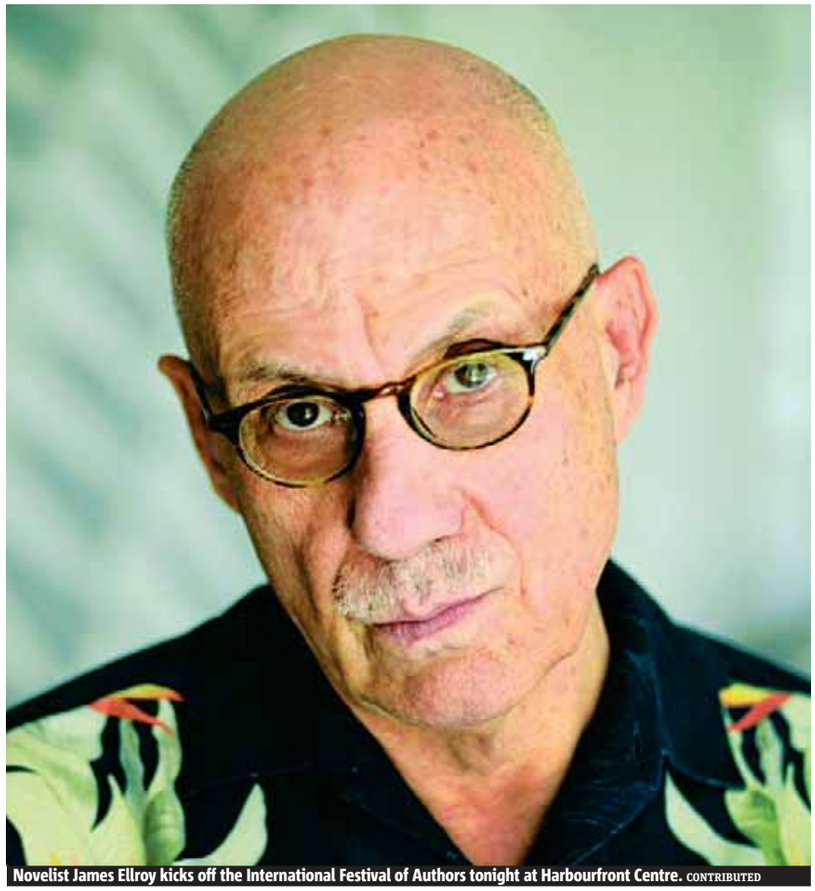

Novelist James Ellroy kicks off the International Festival of Authors tonight at Harbourfront Centre. CONTRIBUTED

More authors

James Ellroy isn't the only big name in town for Harbourfront's International Festival of Authors. Check out ifoa.org for full details.

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Standup gets a seat

Television. The first African-American to co-anchor SNL's news segment dishes on life in his hometown, new gig

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It's safe to say New York City has been good to native Michael Che. The comedian and writer is co-anchor of Saturday Night Live's Weekend Update — and the first African American to sit behind the desk — a gig he left The Daily Show with Jon Stewart to take. And now he's the face of the #NYTough campaign. Not too shabby. But that doesn't mean life in New York isn't still without its drawbacks.

What's your approach to Weekend Update, as the newest anchor behind the desk?
My approach is just talking about things that I would like to see talked about and telling the jokes that I think are really funny. The feedback's been great. It's still a process of learning how to do the job better. I feel like every week is a process of getting better, and we're definitely headed in the right direction, and me and (co-anchor Colin) Jost are having a lot of fun up there.

Was there any level of intimidation factor the first time you sat there?
Oh, absolutely. It's extremely intimidating because you're doing something that a lot of people care about. A lot of people care about Saturday Night Live and Weekend Update — they grew up with it, it's important to them. So it's very intimidating. It's like you're babysitting somebody's kid. You don't want it to get messed up on your shift.

You've done both SNL and The Daily Show now, which is impressive. Do other NYC comics resent you for hogging all the opportunities?
They shouldn't. If they are, they're thinking of the wrong things. They're looking at it weird, because the more New York comedians getting jobs on Update or Daily Show or SNL, if we do it, well, it makes it easier for the next guy because they're always looking for the next one.

Comedy is a cycle, so the more people that are like you that get these opportunities, the better. When Hannibal (Buress) gets these opportunities, I feel like I got it because it's opening doors. So be happy for me and Pete Davidson for being standups that are doing these shows because now they're going to be looking for more standups.

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"A lot of people care about Saturday Night Live and Weekend Update — they grew up with it."
Michael Che, co-anchor of SNL's Weekend Update

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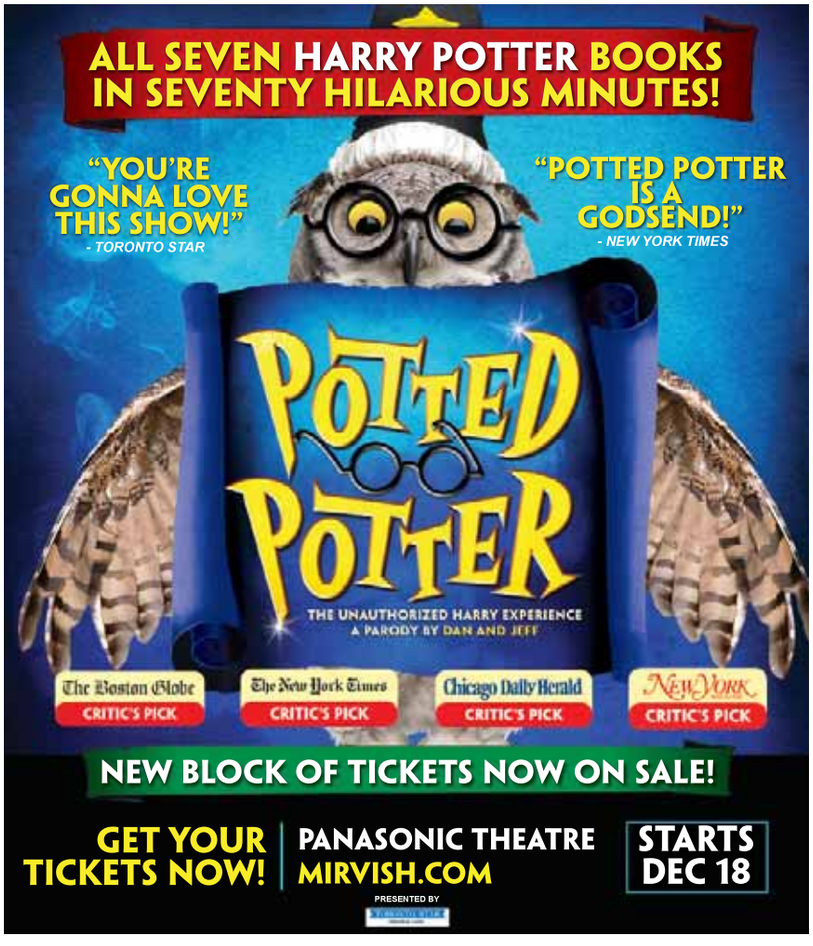
on Weekend Update

Standup comedian Michael Che left The Daily Show with Jon Stewart to become the co-anchor of Saturday Night Live's Weekend Update. GETTY IMAGES FILE

You're a native New Yorker. Everyone always talks about how much safer and cleaner the city has become over the last 20 or 30 years, but do you think it's gotten any tougher to live here?
New York is still the toughest city, I believe, but it's different. Obviously it's a lot more expensive and a lot faster. Technology has made things a lot easier, and it's a lot safer than it used to be, but it's still tough. Just ask anybody on the 29th when rent is due how tough New York really is.

Is there a particular NYC odour that's the worst for you?
Oh man, there's plenty of New York smells, but the empty car on a crowded subway is the worst smell in New York City. You walk in because you say, "Wow, there are seats!" Every other car is crowded. Then as soon as you get on you get why that train car is empty — because it smells to holy hell and the doors are closed and you can't get off. That's the toughest thing to smell in New York, in my opinion.

You used to be able to actually walk between the cars.
You used to! You used to be able to walk through the cars, but I guess a lot of people got hurt so they stopped that.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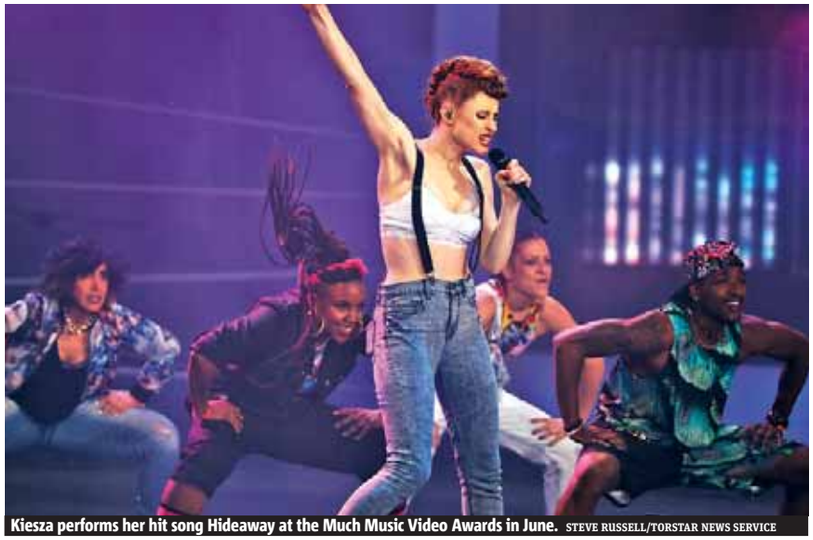
No hideaway for super-busy Kiesza

Music. Calgary artist feeling 'vulnerable' as her debut album Sound of a Woman is released this week



Kiesza performs her hit song Hideaway at the Much Music Video Awards in June. STEVE RUSSELL/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

With the one-shot, non-stop Hideaway, Calgary's Kiesza introduced herself to the world with a fluttering tune and a flurry of nimble footwork — and it seems like she hasn't stopped moving since.

The song topped charts in Italy, Belgium, the Netherlands and the U.K. while reaching the Top 5 in many others, including Canada, in the spring. Her debut album, Sound of a Woman, is being released this week.

She's still writing songs for other artists, she contributed music to a 2015 Dreamworks film, and she has designs on making her own cult flick eventually — not as a composer, but a filmmaker. Of course, that's joined by other potential pursuits, including a fashion line. A European tour is also imminent.

Kiesza, who now lives in New York, couldn't be blamed if she decided to delegate some responsibilities. Yet there she was recently touring possible settings for her second video, No Enemiesz.

"The producer just stopped for a minute and said, 'The artist never comes to the location scout. You realize this? If you have other things to do ...'" Kiesza recalled during a recent interview in Toronto. "I'm like, 'No, I need to see the rooms.'"

So even though the turnaround on Sound of a Woman was fairly quick, it's tough to doubt Kiesza's commitment to the material.

Aside from the years-in-the-works synth bath So Deep, these 13 songs came together very quickly — something Kiesza's comfortable with, given that breakout Hideaway was written during an hour-long ride to the airport.

That sleekly propulsive number leads off the album. Hip hop crops up on the vamping Losin' My Mind and even more so on Bad Thing, a showcase for dexterous Brooklyn teen rapper Joey Badass, one of a series of genres Kiesza hopscotches through: soul, Chicago house, R&B and EDM.

"I was in a death metal band, a jazz band, a rock band, a solo pop thing where I wore spandex and aviator goggles dyed different colours," she recalled. "I felt like I was just trying on different hats and they didn't fit.

"And then writing Hideaway, which happened out of nowhere, and realizing this is so right, realizing that this is the music that's etched into my DNA, since being in the womb. It just flows out of me naturally."

A bigger-than-anticipated audience is paying attention now, and she knows it.

"It's hard to open up all your emotions to the world," she said. "I feel very super-vulnerable."

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"This is the music that's etched into my DNA, since being in the womb. It just flows out of me naturally."

Kiesza, singer and songwriter

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Ryan Murphy attends the premiere screening of American Horror Story: Freak Show on Oct. 5. KEVIN WINTER/GETTY IMAGES

Television. Ryan Murphy sells another horror series

American Horror Story creator Ryan Murphy will mine a similar vein with Scream Queens, a new horror-comedy series ordered by Fox, The Hollywood Reporter reveals.

Due to air in fall 2015, the first series is set on a college campus rocked by series of murders. The idea is to reprise the anthology format of the FX series American Horror Story, introducing a new setting and plot each season.

The first 15 episodes ordered by Fox will centre on two heroines. Ryan Murphy and producer Brad Falchuk have begun the process of casting the two leads as well as 10 supporting roles.

Scream Queens is Murphy's third series slated to air on American TV next fall. Along with American Horror Story, which will enter its fifth season, FX will air its new spinoff American Crime Story. In the meantime, Murphy's Fox series Glee will end after its sixth cycle, which is due to premiere during the mid-season.

Next year, NBC plans to introduce Shades of Blue (a crime series produced by Jennifer Lopez), Manhunt and Heroes: Reborn. The latter will mark the return of Tim Kring's series after five years off the air. AFP

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Television

Eva goes by the book with female-led comedy

Though she rarely steps in front of the camera anymore, former Desperate Housewives star Eva Longoria hasn't left TV. She has become quite a prolific producer for the small screen. Created with the screenwriters behind 90210, her latest sell, to ABC, is a female-led comedy series titled Bookclub.

This new project will focus on four female protagonists who pretend to be in a book club to get a break from the pressures and responsibilities of life.

Already a producer on the Lifetime series Devious Maids, Longoria adds Bookclub to the long list of productions in development at her UnbeliEVAble Entertainment outfit. AFP

Movies

Sean Bean stays grounded in The Martian

International Emmy Award winner Sean Bean has joined the cast of The Martian, joining Matt Damon, Jessica Chastain and Michael Peña for Ridley Scott's tale of desperate off-world survival.

Bean, well known for his appearances in Game of Thrones and Peter Jackson's The Lord of the Rings, will play a NASA flight director, reports Empire.

Matt Damon was installed early on as main character Mark Watney, whose crew accidentally deserts him on Mars.

The November 2015 film is based on Andy Weir's self-published sci-fi success, which debuted as a free download in 2012. AFP

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Binoche takes a snapshot of life in latest film as a conflict photographer

Movies. Juliette Binoche takes on the role of a truth-seeking photojournalist in 1,000 Times Good Night

Juliette Binoche is known for pouring everything into her performances. For her role as a dedicated war photographer in 1,000 Times Good Night, she met with top journalists who have captured global atrocities — not only to understand their work, but their personal lives and motivations.

"It just showed me how meaningful it is and how much it costs. And how they organize themselves and how it can be also very tricky in their personal life," the French actress said in a phone interview. "You have to find the right people around you to help you in this difficult journey, because it's not that easy. You're seeing horror and you're alone."

Opening Friday, the film features Binoche as Rebecca, a photojournalist who returns home from Kabul after an especially close brush with death. Her husband (Nikolaj Coster-Waldau) seethes with resentment as he has been busy raising their two daughters while she risks her life in conflict zones.

The rift in their marriage worsens when she takes their daughter (Lauryn Canny) on a trip to Kenya that erupts in violence. Rebecca again makes a decision that puts her as close to the danger as possible — the kind of snap judgement call she makes instinctively and her husband can no longer support.

Norwegian director Erik Poppe (Troubled Water) based the film on his own experience as a former war photographer. But he chose to switch the genders in the film, making Binoche his proxy and casting Coster-Waldau as the character based on his wife.

Binoche said she was drawn to 1,000 Times Good Night because she had always been fascinated by war photography. She met with Lynsey Addario, an acclaimed photojournalist known for her work in Afghanistan and Gaza, as well as Zoriah Miller, Marcus Bleasdale and others.

"I was wondering as I was talking to them, 'Where is the need coming from?' As an actress of course I was thinking, 'Oh, it's all in the childhood,' the need of being seen and heard and going to very dangerous places — seen and heard because you were not seen and heard in your childhood," Binoche said.

Rebecca is often accused by family and friends of being addicted to the excitement and danger. But she is also determined to make people sit up and pay attention to the horrors of the world: "I want people to choke on their coffee and see and feel and react," she says.

This need to bear witness to injustice is a true motivation of war photographers, said Binoche.

"Witnessing places in the world ... can change, not always, but can change the consciousness of people and also political decisions. So the power it gives to consciousness is also very much what very high-profile war journalists and photographers are doing." THE CANADIAN PRESS

Nikolaj Coster-Waldau and Juliette Binoche star in 1,000 Times Good Night. CONTRIBUTED

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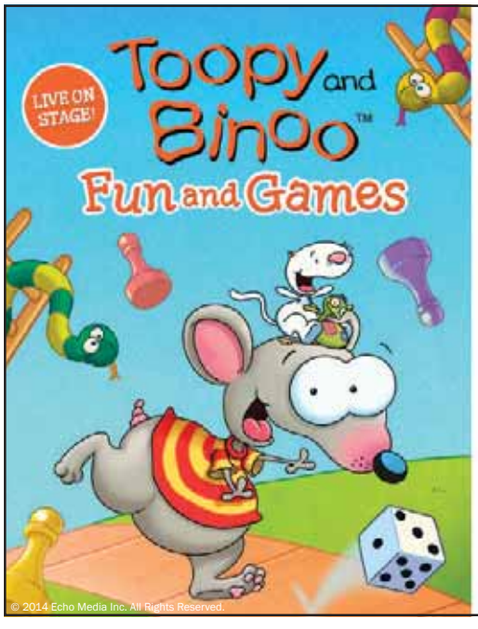
"Witnessing places in the world ... can change, not always, but can change the consciousness of people and also political decisions." Juliette Binoche on war photography



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Filmmaker interview. Birdman's big risks rewarded with Oscar buzz

Oscar-nominated filmmaker Alejandro Gonzalez Inarritu admits it was "scary" making the dark comedy Birdman (The Unexpected Virtue of Ignorance), and was warned by one of his peers he was "running to a possibility of failure" by doing it.

"To make a comedy, first, is always a big challenge, especially for somebody who has never done comedy," the film's director and co-writer said in a phone interview. "The way I decided to do it, which is this one-take thing, it's a very difficult task in a way that challenges you technically and conceptually, because you have to make a lot of decisions and sacrifices.

"As one director told me — you're running to disaster."

Birdman, starring Michael Keaton as a former avian superhero film star desperate for validation and a comeback as he heads a new Broadway play, is flying high in critics' eyes.

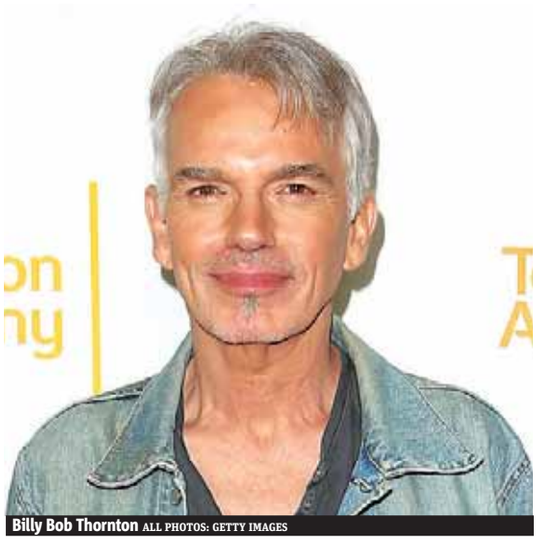
Alejandro Gonzalez CONTRIBUTED

Keaton's performance as Riggan Thomson is already the subject of serious Oscar talk, while praise is also being heaped on the rest of the A-list cast that includes Naomi Watts, Edward Norton, Andrea Riseborough, Zach Galifianakis and Emma Stone.

Rave reviews are also pouring in for Inarritu's "long take" filmmaking style in which the camera follows the actors around the theatre for lengthy periods, making it seem as if the entire project is one uninterrupted shot.

"I always find myself much better in an uncomfortable zone," said Inarritu, whose films Amores Perros and Biutiful received Oscar nominations for best foreign language film, while 2006's Babel was up for best picture and best directing.

"When I become comfortable, I become a little angry and depressed and not happy. So I like to be challenged." THE CANADIAN PRESS



Billy Bob Thornton ALL PHOTOS: GETTY IMAGES

Billy Bob finally clears the air about that vampire rumour

If you've been waiting and waiting for Billy Bob Thornton to finally address that whole Angelina Jolie wearing a vial of blood around her neck thing from more than a decade ago — then first of all, weird. And second of all, it's your lucky day!

While speaking at Loyola Marymount University in L.A. recently, the Sling Blade actor was asked about his ex-wife's infamous piece of jewelry.

"I think it's your duty to kind of tell people the truth about this stuff, and the truth is not encouraged anymore," Thornton says. So here's the truth: "You know those lockets you buy that are clear and you put a picture of your granny in it or something like that and wear it around your neck? That's what it was," he explains.

"She thought it would be interesting and romantic if we took a little razor blade and sliced our fingers, smeared a little blood on these lockets and you wear it around your neck just like you wear your son or daughter's baby hair in one. Same thing. From that, we were wearing quart jars of blood around our necks. And we were vampires and we lived in a dungeon."

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The Word

Zellweger isn't afraid to 'face' media frenzy

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So if you were anywhere around the Internet earlier this week, you heard about Renee Zellweger and reactions to her recent red carpet appearance. Or, more specifically, reactions to her face. Well, apparently Zellweger was listening. And in a move completely uncharacteristic of celebrity culture, she has offered her own response to the fracas. Only it's more awesome in theory than in practice. "I'm glad folks think I look different! I'm living a different, happy, more fulfilling life, and I'm thrilled that perhaps it shows," she tells People magazine. She also calls all the discussion and debate "silly," which isn't exactly the word I'd use for it, but there you go.

"It seems the folks who come digging around for some nefarious truth which doesn't exist won't get off my porch until I answer the door," Zellweger continues, somehow pulling off folksy and coy simultaneously. "My friends say that I look peaceful. I am healthy. For a long time I wasn't doing such a good job with that. I took on a schedule that is not realistically sustainable and didn't allow for taking care of myself. Rather than stopping to recalibrate, I kept running until I was depleted and made bad choices about how to conceal the exhaustion. I was aware of the chaos and finally chose different things." As for talk of a drastic change in her appearance? That's just time, baby. "People don't know me in my 40s," Zellweger explains. "People don't know me healthy for a while. Perhaps I look different. Who doesn't as they get older? But I am different. I'm happy." So I guess you can get off her porch now?

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Justin Timberlake and Jessica Biel

Tabloid makes nice with the Timberlakes

It turns out all Justin Timberlake and Jessica Biel really wanted was an apology, and they got one.

In a Dublin courtroom this week, British tabloid Heat was forced to offer a mea culpa for reporting that Timberlake had been flirting with women in Paris this summer.

"The article was based on an unfounded report regarding Justin Timberlake's alleged behaviour at a club following a performance in Paris to celebrate a birthday and also included a number of purported statements improperly attributed to Jessica Biel, which Heat now understand had never been made by her," representatives for the tabloid said in a statement read in court, adding that Heat "regrets any embarrassment caused to the couple and unreservedly apologizes to them."

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Throw a ghoulish gathering

Plan it. Halloween parties lend themselves to lots of games, fun snacks, and cool decorations

MICHELLE WILLIAMS
For Metro

It's that time of year when monsters, witches, cowboys and princesses make their annual appearances. So plan for a shrieking good time. Here are some easy, eerie ideas, and totally terrifying tips for a happy Halloween party put together with the help of party planner extraordinaire Nancy Zaretsky of My Perfect Party Inc.

Choose a theme

There are so many ways to celebrate — from a pumpkin-carving event to a Halloween fun house party, or spook it up with a monster bash, or a witches and wizards gathering. "Use the theme as your anchor and tie in all party elements to your theme," Zaretsky said.

Send invitations

"The theme of your party should be apparent in your invite," Zaretsky said. If children are invited, let guests know of the "spook factor" so they can prepare little ones. "Use specifics from your theme and word the invite in a fun way — or make it scary," Zaretsky said.

Be creative with your Halloween party snacks and tie them into your theme. SHUTTERSTOCK

Make up a menu

Be creative about snacks: Orange cheese popcorn; spider sandwiches (using cookie cutters); banana ghosts; freaky pizza fingers; pumpkin brain salsa dip; and chocolate pretzel spider webs are just a few ghastly good dishes. For your punch, simply freeze some green drink mix in a rubber glove then peel it off to create a giant monster ice cube hand.

Co-ordinate games, music

Make sure you add lots of spooky music to your mix — old favourites like Thriller, Monster Mash, Love Potion #9, Werewolves of London, Rock Lobster and Ghostbusters, to name a few, are guaranteed hits. Turn tried-and-tested games into Halloween favourites.

"Have guests guess the number of candy corns in the jar, have a ball toss into carved pumpkins, or toss rings onto witches hats," Zaretsky said.

Decorate

Hit the local dollar store and fill the house with inexpensive Halloween decorations. Then make sure you have everything you need for your theme and your games — and be sure to have plenty of prizes for the children as giveaways after the games.

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Creepy recipe. Spider brownie pizza

1. Line a rimmed 12-inch (31 cm) pizza pan with parchment paper and set aside.

2. Prepare the brownie mix according to package directions, spread brownie batter in the pan and bake for 15 to 18 minutes or until a tester inserted one-inch (2.5 cm) from the edge of pan comes out clean.

3. Cool brownies completely.

4. Next, spread the brownies with cream cheese frosting.

5. Arrange 12 ScAERO Snack Size Bars on top, leaving about a three-inch (7.6 cm) space between each bar.

6. Add chocolate frosting to a small resealable bag; snip corner.

7. Pipe frosting around each bar to resemble eight spider legs. Pipe two dots on each spider to resemble eyes.

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Ingredients

- 12 (7.3 g) Nestlé ScAERO Snack Size Bars
- 1/3 cup (75 mL) chocolate frosting or icing
- 1 package (450 g) brownie mix
- 1 cup cream cheese frosting
- 1/4 cup coloured icing

All about the accents

The Toronto's World MasterCard Fashion Week tents at David Pecaut Square have been hosting some of the best designers in Canada. From fringe to floral, embellishments ruled the show.

Pink Tartan

Seasoned designer Kimberley Newport-Mimran kicked things up a notch with her '70s-inspired Pink Tartan spring collection and music from bands like The Doors. Newport-Mimran said while her previous lines have been "quite pretty," she upped the ante to "a little bit sexy" with next spring's collection. "I was very inspired by looking back to the '70s but moving it forward to modern times," Newport-Mimran says. Newport-Mimran dressed models in body suits with fringe, gold and black accessories and brought the first pops of colour to the runway with a floral pattern featuring pinks, oranges and browns. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

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Target Canada

Under the Fashion Week tents, the focus of Target Canada was on styles for men, women and children for the chilly months. Canadian supermodel Coco Rocha sat front row for the splashy presentation, complete with a red-carpeted runway and illuminated bull's-eye logos. Cheery models showcased a vast array of cold weather wear with pretty, patterned cardigans, faux furs, quilted coats, bomber jackets and blazers. Styles for women encompassed the ultra-feminine — like sheer blouses, slinky lace camisoles and jumpsuits — alongside more edgy, embellished options like leather studded gloves. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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Bustle

Bustle brought a burst of bold colours to its spring-summer collection, which combined fashionable elements and style influences from rugged athletic apparel and Mykonos, a famed sun-soaked hot spot. Creative director Shawn Hewson said they dubbed the latest line for the label An American in Mykonos with the combination of classic, American rugby-inspired prints with seaside prints inspired by the Greek island. The collection was awash in pink, lilac, turquoise and a rich range of blues, with Bustle's slick signature suiting and shirts accented with colourful buttons and patterned trims. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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Sid Neigum

The Alberta-born, Toronto-based designer kicked off spring-summer 2015 collections at David Pecaut Square with a solo presentation of his intricately crafted collection inspired by modular origami. Neigum said he laser-cut the shapes out of fabric and then hand-weaved them all together. "Some of the pieces were 600 parallelograms hand-sewn together to create the geometric 3D geometry pattern. That was the starting point," he said. Neigum also made ample use of asymmetry in the hemlines of sleek skirts and belted dresses showcased within the line. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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Fall wish list: Camel coat

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A.P.C. Chesterfield coat, $575, USOnline.apc.fr

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Fashion lines

Forever 21 shows its hockey pride

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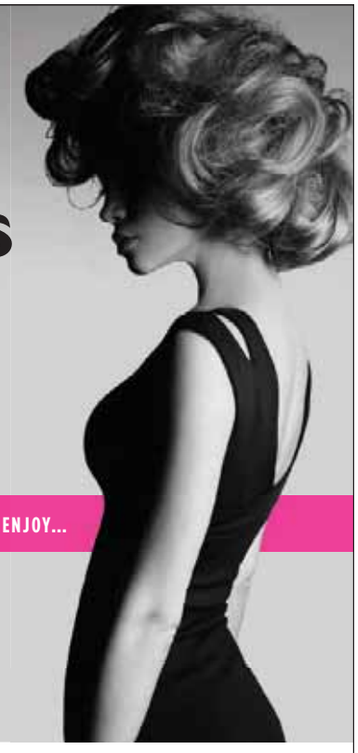

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How to finance your new company

Consider more than your loan's interest rate, expert says

Starting a business is typically an expensive undertaking. The amount required to acquire materials, lease and prepare a space, and secure contracts and licences can easily run into the tens of thousands of dollars. And since it can take many months for a new business to become profitable, it's no surprise that inadequate financing is the bane of an entrepreneur's existence.

"It's essential that a new business get the proper financing," says Michelle Harvey, the assistant vice-president, small business banking product, for TD Bank Group.

"Most new businesses start with a mix of personal investment and loans from banks and other agencies. Some also have equity investors, people who acquire partial ownership of the new business in exchange for a specific amount of upfront capital."

Like most chartered banks, TD Canada Trust employs specialists who work with entrepreneurs to create and implement a viable financial plan.

"What's most important is accurately predicting revenues, expenditures and cash flows during the first few years," Harvey says.

"A business must be able to repay its loans on schedule, pay its employees on time and honour whatever terms it negotiates with suppliers. That can be quite a challenge."

In general, there are five sources of capital:

- ***LOAN FROM A CHARTERED BANK OR OTHER FINANCIAL INSTITUTION:*** Rather than use only one source, it is often advantageous to diversify.
- ***PERSONAL INVESTMENT:*** Cash or assets that you invest (typically required to obtain a loan).
- ***LOVE MONEY:*** Loans from family or friends, to be paid back when the business becomes profitable.
- ***INVESTORS:*** Most investors look for knowledge-based businesses with high growth and profit potential; investors include venture capitalists such as Business Development Canada.
- ***GOVERNMENT GRANTS/SUBSIDIES:*** Be aware that most have relatively narrow eligibility criteria.

"Providing capital to entrepreneurs is a competitive business," Harvey says. "Unfortunately, some entrepreneurs focus only on interest rates charged for loans. It's just as important, though, to compare collateral requirements, repayment schedules and other conditions. There are many questions to consider: Can the business acquire additional capital if it needs to grow in the first year or two, for instance? What are the penalties for missed payments?"

Harvey says that, ultimately, institutions such as TD Canada Trust are in the long-term relationship business.

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So you think you can expand your business?

While there is no one-size-fits-all answer to knowing when it's time to expand your small business, there is one solid guideline that can help you determine whether or not you should consider taking your business to the next level.

"If a client was asking me when or if they should expand, I ask them to do an evaluation of their business," says Sandi Koitsis-Zigomanis, a small business consultant with Enterprise Toronto. "The key question is: Can you no longer fulfil the needs of, or provide service to your customers in a timely fashion?"

But just because the demand is there, supply has to play a role — specifically, do you have the resources in place to fund your growth.

"I tend to be a little more conservative when I'm working with clients, but I think the question you want to ask is whether your current cash flow and revenue will support your growth plans," she says. "Look at the cash flow and see if you can afford to do this.

"But I wouldn't even look at next steps without a client performing a business evaluation — it's really just business 101."

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There are many ways that businesses can grow, Koitsis-Zigomanis says: Hiring new staff; investing in new technology or machinery to help demand; changes in marketing strategies; and — what she describes as her last-resort recommendation — obtaining and expanding into a larger space.

One key is not to make decisions without a substantial amount of data and experience under their belts.

"People who haven't really started a business before will get excited and start planning, saying 'We'll franchise in six months,'" she says. "I'll say, 'Woah … have you given yourself enough time to show revenue flow?'"

While there is no perfect timeline, Koistis-Zigomanis says it's important for businesses to experience a longer period of time to understand and anticipate ebbs and flow in demand, as well as examine trends and potential risk. And businesses have to determine whether they are ready to expand and deal with all the legal, HR, and organizational changes that comes with it.

Of course, getting some outside advice can help, too.

"It's easy to see things with tunnel vision when you only talk to yourself or your partners," she says. "When I consult with people, I tell them I'm not going to give them answers, but I want to leave them with four or five things to think about that may be new to them. I want them to see the whole picture."

Businesses looking to expand should seek the advice of their banking adviser, tax accountants, and small business advisers. And Enterprise Toronto offers its services free to local businesses. For more information, visit enterprisetoronto.com.

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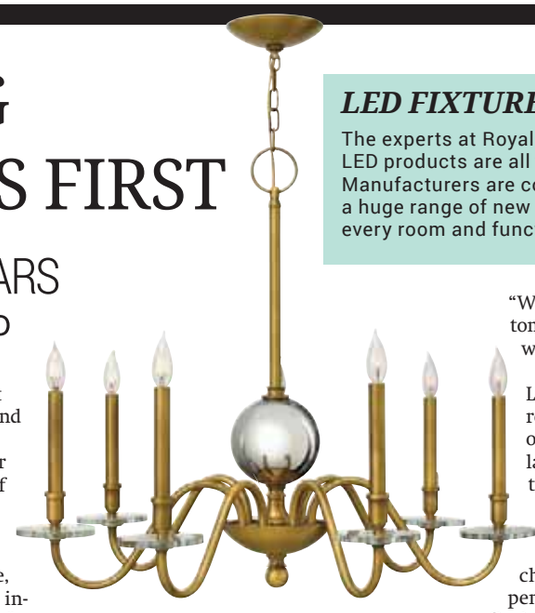

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The Royal Lighting showroom provides one of the largest selections of lighting products in the city including chandeliers, pendant lighting, flush and semi-flush mounts, sconces, floor and table lamps, ceiling fans, outdoor lighting and lampshades. The store sells home accent products too, such as ceiling medallions, mirrors, and pictures and prints.

New products are constantly being added to the selection — there's an average of 100 new items introduced every month, says Gladstone.

Customers are also encouraged to visit the website (royallighting.com), which is updated regularly with specials and features. It provides a convenient way for customers to see all the products manufacturers offer.

Royal Lighting does not stock everything but can order any of the items customers see on the website.

"It's a great place to shop for ideas and styles," says Gladstone.

Competitive pricing is also an important company policy. Plus, a 30-day price guarantee means if a customer buys a product and the price drops within 30 days, Royal Lighting will return the difference.

The showroom is a fixture in the mid-town Toronto neighbourhood and open seven days a week.

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The experts at Royal Lighting say LED products are all the rage. Manufacturers are coming out with a huge range of new LED fixtures for every room and function, says Gladstone from the store. For the majority of popular bulbs, there is a substitute LED bulb.

Another trend in lighting is antique brass, which is gaining popularity.

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Give chili a wildly delicious makeover

Cookbook of the Week

Get with the trend

North America's original red meat, bison has become a trendy ingredient. In Buffalo Girl Cooks Bison by Jennifer Bain, it is featured front and centre in more than 100 recipes. The first comprehensive contemporary bison cookbook for a general North American market, it also introduces to you prominent bison ranchers. Recipes include Quinoa and Kale Bison Soup, Braised Bison Short Ribs and more. **METRO**

Karen's 'Flying D' Bison Chili.

While you're changing up the meat, why not replace the kidney beans as well?

"People are usually surprised to discover that American media mogul Ted Turner is also a bison rancher who co-owns a chain of restaurants called Ted's Montana Grill," writes Jennifer Bain in Buffalo Girl Cooks Bison.

"Bison plays a key role on the menu. This chili, created by Ted's personal chef, Karen Averitt, is one of the restaurant's signature dishes. Pinto beans are a welcome change from red kidney beans.

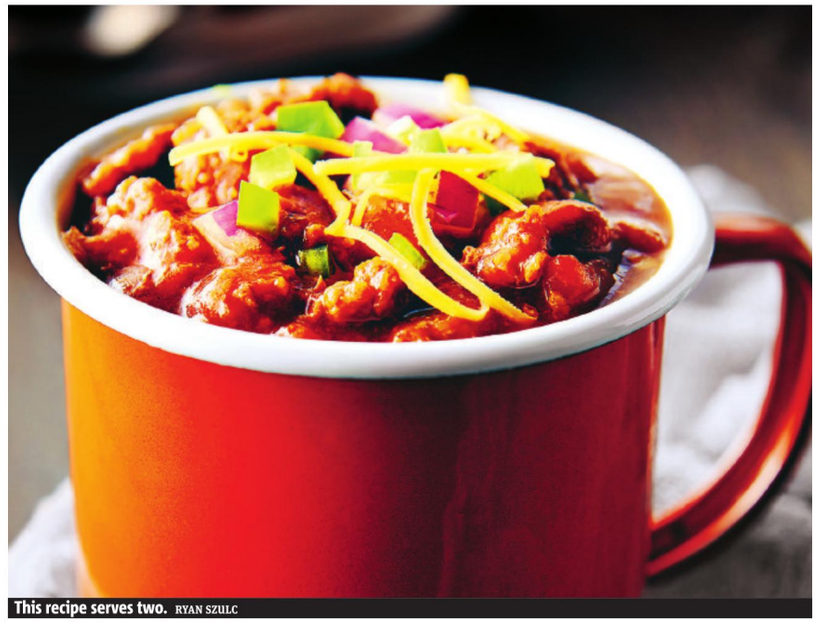
Flying D, by the way, is one of Ted's ranches in Montana."

Ingredients

- 1 lb ground bison
- 1/2 cup diced yellow onion
- 2 tsp minced garlic
- 1 1/2 cups warm water
- 6 tbsp tomato paste
- 1 tbsp liquid beef bouillon concentrate
- 1/2 tsp dried oregano leaves
- 4 tsp chili powder
- 1 1/4 tsp ground cumin
- 1 tsp granulated sugar
- Pinch cayenne pepper
- Pinch freshly ground black pepper
- 1/2 cup canned pinto beans, drained and rinsed
- 1/2 cup fresh diced tomatoes or canned diced tomatoes with liquid

Optional toppings

- Grated cheddar
- Finely diced red onions
- Chopped jalapenos



This recipe serves two. RYAN SZULC

1. In a large pot over medium-high heat, cook the bison, stirring with a wooden spoon to break up large pieces, for 5 minutes. Add the yellow onion and garlic. Cook, stirring, until soft, about 5 to 7 minutes.

2. In a measuring cup, combine the warm water, tomato paste, and beef bouillon concentrate. Whisk well. Add to the pot. Bring to a boil. Add the oregano, chili powder, cumin, sugar, cayenne pepper, and black pepper. Reduce the heat to medium-low. Simmer for 15 minutes. Add the beans and tomatoes. Simmer for 1 minute.

3. Serve chili topped, if desired, with cheese, red onions, and jalapenos.

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A cautionary tale

We have owned a home for quite some time and my sister and her husband have been living with us to help them out and to also spread the cost of keeping the house. My sister moved to her own home just recently and we have finally decided to sell and so my wife and I put the house on the market. When our lawyer did a preliminary search, my sister had put a caution on the house and claims to be a beneficial owner of half the house. This has "clouded the title," as our lawyer says, and will cause difficulty on closing. Can anyone come along and just put a caution on the title to our property? What can we do?

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A caution is put on title when there is an unregistered interest in a property. Presumably, your sister feels she has some right to the home which probably stems from her living there for several years and paying a portion of the expenses. She would have gone to a lawyer who would have placed this caution on title.

Unfortunately, you'll have to engage a litigation lawyer to get the caution removed. One strategy is to get a court order removing the caution, avoid having a further certificate of pending litigation registered on title and then hold proceeds in trust on the closing until the dispute can be resolved. This will allow the orderly sale of the property and make sure that your sister's right to her alleged share of the property is held safely. Good luck.

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Put rooftops to green use: Photographer

City living. Extreme artist who climbs skyscrapers calls for eco-friendly initiatives

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Among the first to start the growing trend of "roof topping," photographer Tom Ryaboi climbs to the top of skyscrapers and literally sits on the edge to capture incredible cityscapes. CONTRIBUTED

An cityscape captured by Tom Ryaboi. CONTRIBUTED

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"I have been on most of the roofs in Toronto and it's a shame we still don't use most of them for anything."

Extreme urban photographer Tom Ryaboi

A swing at the Aletide exhibit lets guests experience vertigo without leaving the ground. CONTRIBUTED

The Canary District condo presentation centre recently hosted an art exhibit showcasing the iconic photography of Tom Ryaboi, highlighting Toronto's global stature as a leader in arts and technology.

Known to his fans as a "roof topper," Ryaboi is a Toronto-based, world-renowned photographer who takes his art to extreme heights. The artist climbs to the top of skyscrapers and literally sits on the edge to capture incredible cityscapes, presenting an entirely new perspective on urban photography.

Ryaboi is inspired by the fact that 70 per cent of the world's population will be living in cities by the year 2040. "I wanted to explore what this migration towards cities tells us about our time and ourselves. How will we cope with this density? How will this change our relationship with each other and our environment?" he asks.

Ryaboi is himself an avid condo dweller: "I think most people who live in condos realize what they are trading off. Having the city at your fingertips is worth quite a bit to me. I live in a condo and I love it, I wouldn't have it any other way." He would like to see Toronto take the lead in environmental initiatives, particularly the green roof bylaws. "I have been on most of the roofs in Toronto and it's a shame we still don't use most of them for anything."

Part of the dynamic art exhibit entitled Cities of the Future is Aletide, an interactive swing facing a video wall in the middle of the presentation centre. Aletide is a collaborative effort between Ryaboi and three Italian artists — Fabio Giampietro, Ilaria Vergani Bassi and Paolo Di Giacomo — who were on hand to unveil their participant-friendly exhibit for the first time in North America.

It was Giampietro who initially connected with Ryaboi. "I've seen some photos of him in an Italian newspaper and I was doing paintings about vertigo, so I sent him an email immediately. He said we have to do something together and within a couple of weeks, we did a show together in Milan."

Visitors had the opportunity to don wireless headphones and literally ride the swing into the video projection. The multimedia experience creates the sensation of vertigo without ever leaving the ground. "I designed the video projections, inspired by Fabio's works," says Bassi. "I decided to make a 3D tunnel, thinking of what I was seeing in his paintings."

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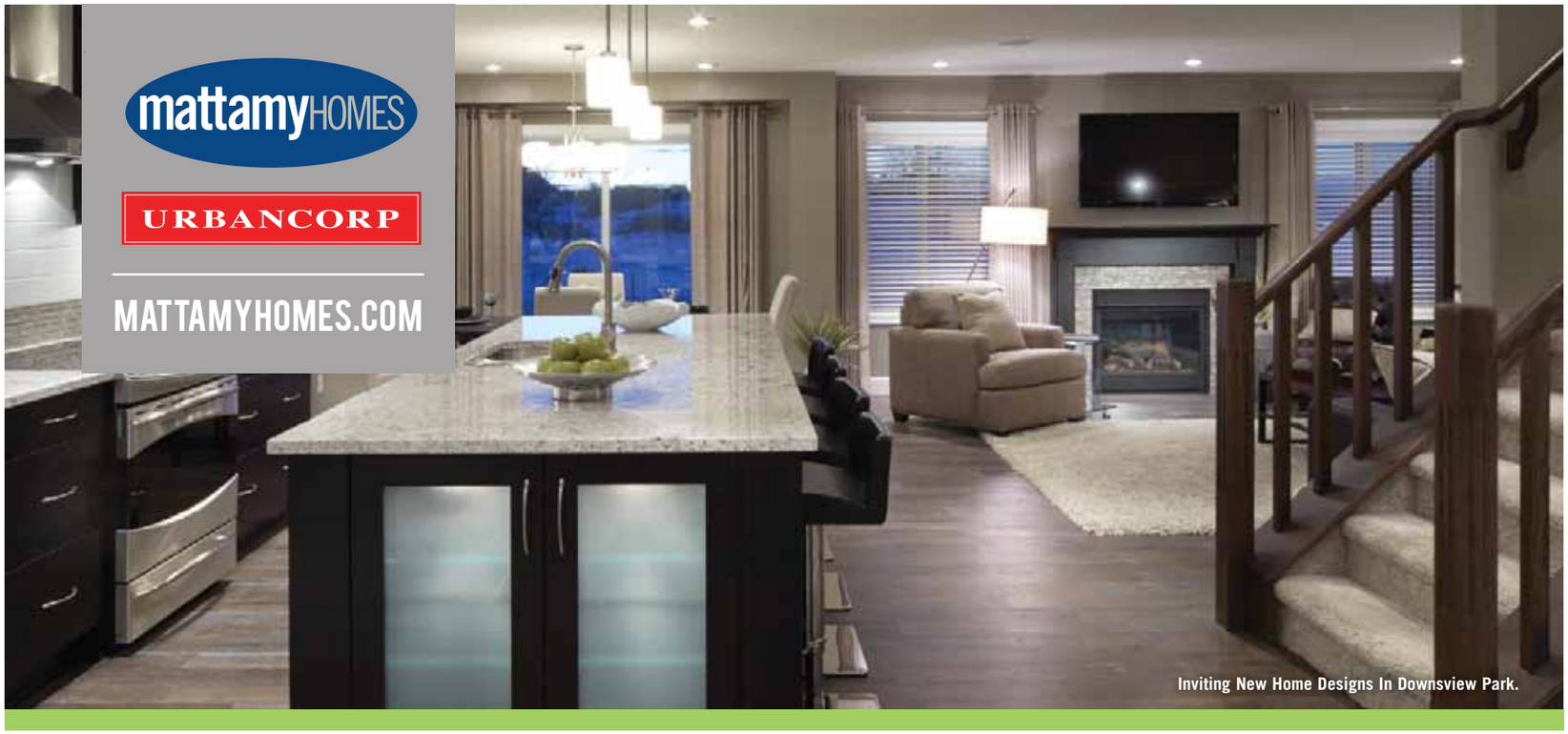
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Alignment key to building cities

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With the municipal election just days away, it's an appropriate time to point out the importance of aligning interests.

This is a concept whereby residents, industry and government work together toward a common vision for the cities we build and live in. It is centred around collaboration in a collective effort to implement the objectives of the provincial growth plan, Places to Grow.

Our industry has been tasked with implementing the intensification objectives of Places to Grow by building complete communities in urban centres and around transit corridors. Intensifying these areas will help accommodate the GTA's rapid population growth — up to 100,000 people each year.

The numbers tell it all: approximately 60 per cent of all new homes sold over the last five years have been in the city of Toronto, and 90 per cent of those homes were condominiums. We've become the highrise capital of North America.

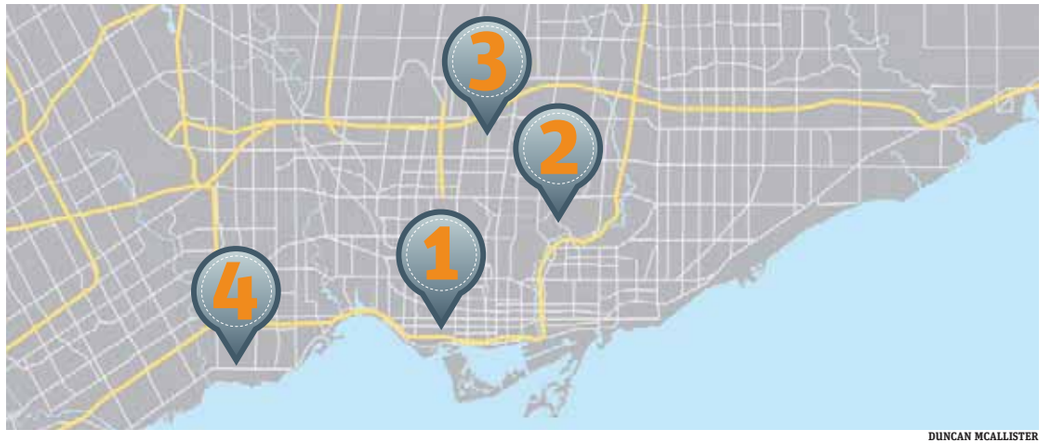
But intensification is not without its challenges. While the industry has embraced the task of implementing Places to Grow, it is important that our partners in government align themselves with a common vision for our cities.

It's time to imagine the city region in 40 years and make that vision happen.

A key component of that vision is an efficient transit system that can accommodate our growing population. Intensification along transit corridors will help cover some of the operating costs of new transit lines. This is why it's important to predesignate and pre-zone lands around transit corridors.

Please keep that in mind when you cast your vote on Oct. 27 to make sure we continue building great cities and towns across the GTA.

What's hot on the condo market



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1. Downtown

New Release: This week, Fieldgate Homes will be releasing seven new urban townhomes and eight new balcony suites at 90 Niagara condos downtown. Visit the sales centre at 90 Niagara St.

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2. Leaside

Sales Event: The Upper House condo townhomes in Leaside. A one-day promotion to purchase a townhome with just five per cent deposit down. Visit the sales centre at 25 Malcolm Rd., on Oct. 25 from 12 to 5 p.m.

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3. North York

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Limited Egg-dition classic

It is a 20th-century design classic, and now a limited edition of the famous Egg chair by Republic of Fritz Hansen has been released for fall.

A version of Arne Jacobsen's chair will be created in an indigo blue fabric by Scandinavian textile house Kvadrat, inspired by the classic blue colour tones featured in his design of the world-renowned Room 606 at the SAS Royal Hotel in Copenhagen.

The limited-edition piece features 1,200 hand-sewn stitches and dark brown leather piping to emphasize the organic lines of the chair's form. A burnished base completes the look.

Jacobsen created the softly contoured Egg chair in 1958 for the lobby and reception areas of the Royal Hotel, and the piece has gone on to become one of the most recognizable icons of modern furniture design. AFP

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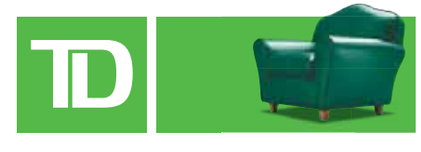

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Twenty shades of Downton lamps

U.S. home accessories store River of Goods has announced plans to launch the first official Downton Abbey Lighting collection next January. The collection will feature a series of 20 decorative floor and table lamps, wall sconces, accent lamps, pendants and chandeliers inspired by the English period drama.

Stained glass, crystal pendants and chandeliers, elaborate shades with tassels and fringe, and ornate bases are all featured heavily.

Downton Abbey Lighting by River of Goods will be unveiled in January 2015 to coincide with the Season 5 premiere of the show in the U.S. on Jan. 4 on PBS. Suggested retail prices will range from $35 to $400. AFP

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It's even quiet, having earned a Quiet Mark award from the Noise Abatement Society. It doubles as a fan for year-round use and comes with a remote control.

According to Engadget, the device is launching in Japan for 60,000 yen (approximately $560 US). Dyson indicates the product will be available online in fall 2015.

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Eco-friendly. Philippe Starck's prefab homes

P.A.T.H. house by Starck with Riko. P.A.T.H./STARCK WITH RIKO

A swimming pool hidden under the decking? Check. Wind turbines on the roof? Check. It's all in a day's work for Philippe Starck, who unveiled the prototype for his new range of eco-friendly houses in Paris last week.

P.A.T.H. — which stands for Prefabricated Accessible Technological Homes — makes it possible for consumers to order customized, energy-positive, prefabricated houses at the click of a button.

Designed with Slovenian construction company Riko, the houses will produce more energy than they consume thanks to a combination of solar, thermal, solar photovoltaic and wind turbines on the roof.

Each house is available with an all-glass outer shell, a completely wooden structure or as a combination of both, with a huge choice in the material and colour of the facade.

Four models are available — two single-storey homes, one double-storey and a series of individual supplementary units — and clients can choose from 34 different floor layouts ranging from 140 to 350 square metres.

The houses have been designed to perform in any climate and can be ordered with stylish features such as patio decking concealing an infinity swimming pool.

Additional details include extendable steel awnings and integrated venetian blinds controlled via an iPad application. AFP

The beauty of black in every room

Decorating. Rule No. 1: Define your space with the darkest of neutrals to create impact

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There's an old rule in decorating: Every room needs a bold hit of black. The darkness of black helps to rest the eye in rooms that are full of colour or pattern. If overused, black can look cheap; if underused, it won't have impact.

If you want to paint a room with black, there are a few decorator rules to follow

1. Use it on one wall as a focal point only if there are a few heavy or dark furniture pieces to help balance the visual weight.

2. Paint an entire room black and create a dramatic background for a large collection of art, mirrors and draperies.

3. North-facing rooms should have red-based black colours and south-facing room should have blue-based black colours.

Want to accent your existing neutral space? Here are some products that are sure to create trendsetting silhouettes around your home.

Rhino for the books

Add the silhouette of exoticism to your mantle or bookcase. Rhino Bookend Set, $29, UrbanOutfitters.com.

Go for a decanter

Kosta Boda's Street Decanter mimics the gridlines of an urban road map. $375, TheBay.com.

Whoo wants a drink?

Add some old-time libations to your bar. Owl's Brew Tea Cocktail Mix, $13, Homesense.ca.

So swish

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Raptors take the fight to visiting Maccabi Haifa

Raptors point guard Kyle Lowry goes up for a shot against Maccabi Haifa's Rene Rougeau during an exhibition match on Wednesday night at the Air Canada Centre. Greivis Vasquez topped Toronto with 15 points, while Terrence Ross and Kyle Lowry chipped in with 11 apiece in the Raptors' 92-85 win. Rookie Lucas Nogueira made his Raptors debut, scoring eight points in 11 minutes and showing signs of the athletic forward that first caught the team's eye. TARA WALTON/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

NHL postpones Sens-Leafs game after shooting

Attack in Ottawa.
Teams agree with league's decision to reschedule match

Amid the tragedy and chaos in Ottawa on Wednesday, the Maple Leafs were thankful for the "hard work" by local police and said they felt entirely safe as the shootings unfolded near their downtown hotel.

The Leafs were to face the Senators in Ottawa on Wednesday night, but after a Canadian soldier was killed and a Parliament Hill security guard was wounded in a daylight attack in the heart of the capital, the NHL decided to postpone the game.

Both the National War Memorial and Parliament Hill — where the shootings occurred — were within eyesight of the Leafs' hotel.

"We never felt like we were in danger at all," Leafs GM Dave Nonis said in a brief press conference in the lobby of the team's hotel shortly before the club departed Ottawa around 4 p.m.

Security was beefed up at the Raptors' exhibition game on Wednesday. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

The Leafs were preparing for their game against the Sens until the NHL informed them of the postponement, Nonis said.

The league has postponed at least eight games since 2000 — four for weather, two for player heart attacks, one for an arena electrical problem and one in the wake of the 2013 Boston Marathon bombing — but none involved Toronto.

Nonis said his team respected the league's decision to postpone the game.

"Today's events far outweigh a hockey game, and we'll come back and play the game when they reschedule it," Nonis said.

"Our thoughts go out to all those people affected ... you could hear the police force working hard all day, and again, a hockey game is definitely secondary today. It definitely catches you off guard."

In a statement posted to his team's website, Senators owner Eugene Melnyk — who said the organization was "shocked and deeply saddened — said fans would understand the reason for postponing the game.

"Our collective thoughts and prayers are with the families of the victims as well as with all Members of Parliament and staff who have had to manage through today's difficult circumstances," Melnyk said. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Supporting the troops and officers

"Lot of very brave police officers we should all be very proud of."

Leafs winger Joffrey Lupul, who donates game tickets to serving members of the military through his "Lupe's Troops" program — tweeted while in lockdown in an Ottawa hotel

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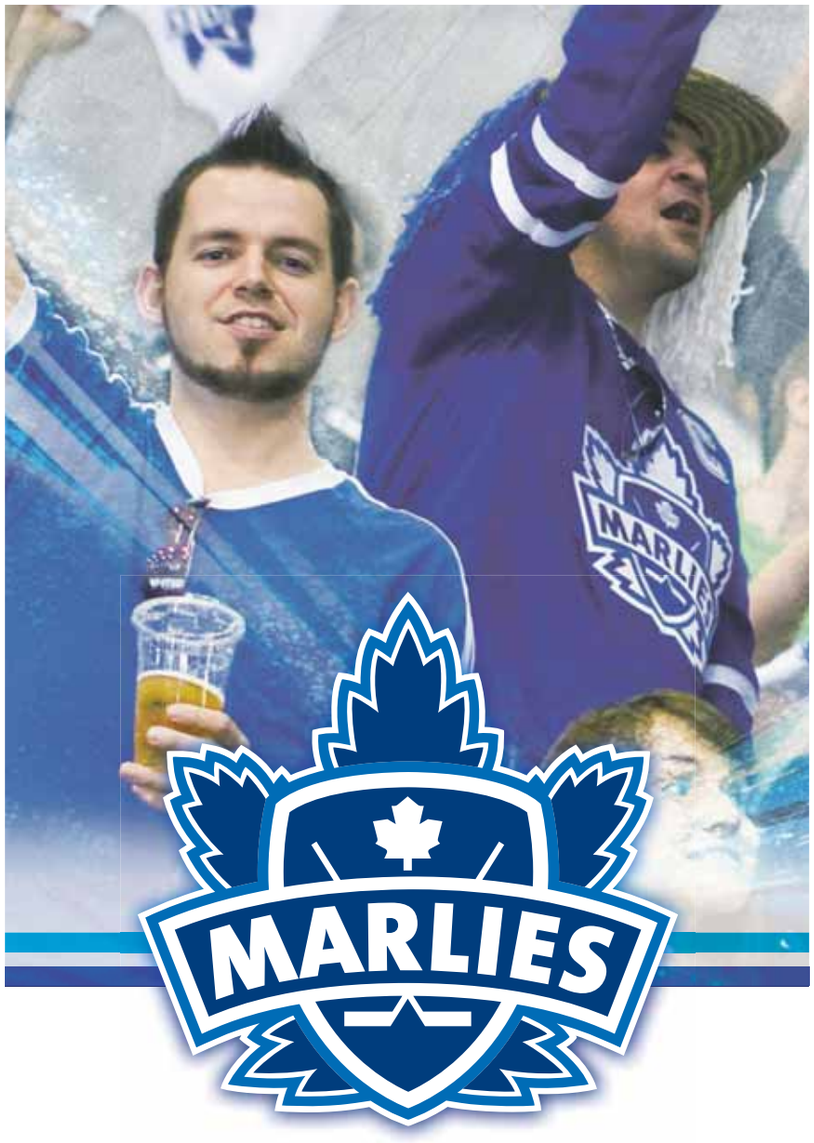
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Royals bats come to life in Game 2

Royals first baseman Eric Hosmer dives to force out Gregor Blanco of the San Francisco Giants in the third inning of Game 2 of the World Series on Wednesday night at Kauffman Stadium in Kansas City, Mo. The Royals held a 7-2 lead in the seventh inning. Go to metronews.ca for results and World Series coverage. ED ZURGA/GETTY IMAGES

Sabres fans already craving 'Next One'

Race to the bottom. Hopeful fans stitch 'McDavid 97' Sabres jerseys hoping for likely top draft pick in Buffalo

Connor McDavid tries not to read what's written about him, following the advice of agent Bobby Orr and so many people around him. But it's hard after Buffalo Sabres games.

"Whenever the Sabres lose, my Twitter just kind of blows up with fans kind of talking about me and stuff like that," McDavid said.

It goes beyond social media. Some fans have already had "McDavid 97" Sabres jerseys made up and wear them to games that he's not even eligible to play in.

Buffalo is tied for the fewest points in the NHL through six games and has been outshot 227-141. With the team in full rebuild mode and no expectation for success this season, some fans are on board with the idea of tanking for the No. 1 pick in June's draft.

Connor McDavid, an 18-year-old from Newmarket, Ont., had a goal and three assists in his first game at First Niagara Center in Buffalo. JAMES P. MCCOY/THE BUFFALO NEWS

Former Sabres defenceman and current Erie Otters assistant Jay McKee understands why those looking at the long-term picture are willing to cheer for losing to get an opportunity to pick McDavid.

"They should want to get Connor McDavid, the fans here in Buffalo," McKee said. "But obviously in order to have a chance at drafting Connor, they're probably going to have to have a bad year again. And as a fan, as a player, that's not necessarily what you want, so it's kind of a double-edged sword."

On Wednesday night, McDavid had a goal and three assists in his first game at First Niagara Center in Buffalo, which could be his home rink in less than a year. In something of a novelty regular-season Ontario Hockey League game, McDavid and the Otters were in town to play the Niagara IceDogs.

Standing at a lectern Tuesday afternoon with a Sabres logo on it, McDavid said it was pretty weird to think about fans in Buffalo already getting his name stitched on jerseys. The 17-year-old, who's considered "The Next One" after Wayne Gretzky and Sidney Crosby, insisted he's not thinking much about the possibility that this is the first of many times he'll step onto the ice here.

"Maybe a little bit," McDavid said. "If Buffalo happens to be the one that drafts me, that'll be great and I'll be thrilled. It's the NHL. You kind of go where you're picked. Every NHL city and organization is first-class. Buffalo would be obviously a tremendous honour."

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Tank talk

"If you want to get a chance to get Connor McDavid, you're going to have to finish real low in the standings."

Jay McKee, Erie Otters assistant coach, on the possibility that Buffalo could throw this season for projected No. 1 draft pick Connor McDavid

Nearly three per game

29 in 10

After Wednesday night's four-point display, Connor McDavid has scored nine goals and 20 assists for 29 points in just 10 games with the Erie Otters this season.

Ronaldo threatens league scoring record

Royal Ronaldo. Real Madrid smashes Liverpool 3-0

Cristiano Ronaldo moved to the brink of the Champions League scoring record by setting Real Madrid on its way to a 3-0 win over Liverpool on Wednesday in the latest show of strength by the free-scoring defending champions.

Madrid handled an early onslaught by the hosts before ripping them apart in a devastating 18-minute spell at the end of the first half, sparked by Ronaldo's sublime flicked finish for his 70th goal in the competition. He is just one goal behind Raul Gonzalez's all-time record and one ahead of great rival Lionel Messi.

Karim Benzema grabbed Madrid's other two goals — in the 30th and 41st minutes — to secure a third straight win for the Spanish side, which tops Group B by six points.

"We are fighting very hard to repeat our success of last season," said Madrid coach Carlo Ancelotti, whose team has won its last eight matches in all competitions by scoring 35 goals. "We are playing well and have a huge desire to make that happen again."

For Liverpool, it was a chastening night that highlighted the gulf in class between two of Europe's grandest clubs who have been European champions 15 times between them.

With Ronaldo spearheading the charge with 20 goals from 13 games this season, the Spanish giants again look the team to beat in the Champions League.

The Portuguese star could easily have drawn level or surpassed Raul's record, but was twice denied by Liverpool goalkeeper Simon Mignolet in the second half before being substituted to applause from home fans in the 75th minute.

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metro AR Cristiano Ronaldo strikes a pose after scoring the opening goal of Real Madrid's Champions League Group B match on Wednesday evening at Anfield in Liverpool. Scan the image with your Metro News app for a wrap-up of the rest of the day's action in Europe.

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NBA draft

Anti-tanking reforms nixed

A proposal that would reduce the incentive for teams to lose games on purpose in an effort to get a better pick in the draft failed, needing 23 votes for approval but only received 17, with 13 lining up to vote against it on Wednesday.

The vote means the existing system will remain in place for now. The team with the worst record will still have a 25 per cent chance at getting the top pick and cannot drop lower than fourth.

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Suspended from NHL

Misunderstanding led to assault arrest: lawyer

Slava Voynov's attorney says the Los Angeles Kings defenceman never hit his girlfriend, and he blames Voynov's arrest on a misunderstanding partly caused by the couple's limited English.

Craig Renetzky is hopeful the NHL will end Voynov's indefinite suspension after reviewing the events that led to Voynov's arrest at a hospital near his home.

Without providing specific details, Renetzky said Voynov's girlfriend's injury resulted from "an accident." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Tennis

Bouchard falls to 0-2 at WTA Finals

Eugenie Bouchard's struggles continued at the WTA Finals on Wednesday.

The Westmount, Que., native lost 6-1, 6-3 to Serbia's Ana Ivanovic to drop to 0-2 in her group. She will face Serena Williams in her final round-robin match Thursday but has only a very slim mathematical chance of advancing to the semifinals.

Williams was hammered 6-0, 6-2 by Simona Halep on Wednesday in one of the most lopsided losses of the star American's career.

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Scientist finds relief for pain, without pills. Study shows natural extract effective

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A Canadian scientist may have discover a way that would change how we take medicine in the near future.

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Horoscopes by Sally Brompton

♈ Aries
March 21 - April 20
The planets warn that someone you meet on your travels today is trying to hide something from you, something you need to be aware of. Dig deeper than usual and find out what they're up to.

♉ Taurus
April 21 - May 21
As both the Sun and Venus, your ruler, move into the partnership area of your chart today it will pay you to be more open about your feelings.

♊ Gemini
May 22 - June 21
What you need to remember today is that every cause has an effect. The planets indicate that something is about to happen that is directly linked to what you said or did in the past.

♋ Cancer
June 22 - July 23
No matter how difficult the past few weeks have been what comes next will restore your faith in yourself, if not yet the whole of humanity. Today's solar eclipse will delight you.

♌ Leo
July 24 - Aug. 23
You need to be alert and willing to take a risk if you are to benefit from the changes taking place around you. You will also need to be less thin-skinned.

♍ Virgo
Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
Although your money situation may still be difficult, you will be less inclined to worry now that the Sun is moving out of the financial area of your chart..

♎ Libra
Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
Your mind is full of big ideas but are you able to turn them into a new reality? The planets urge you to make an extra special effort — from which you can expect an extra special reward.

♏ Scorpio
Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
The Sun enters your birth sign today and there is a powerful eclipse in your sign, so omens are excellent. There's no limits to what you can accomplish over the next month.

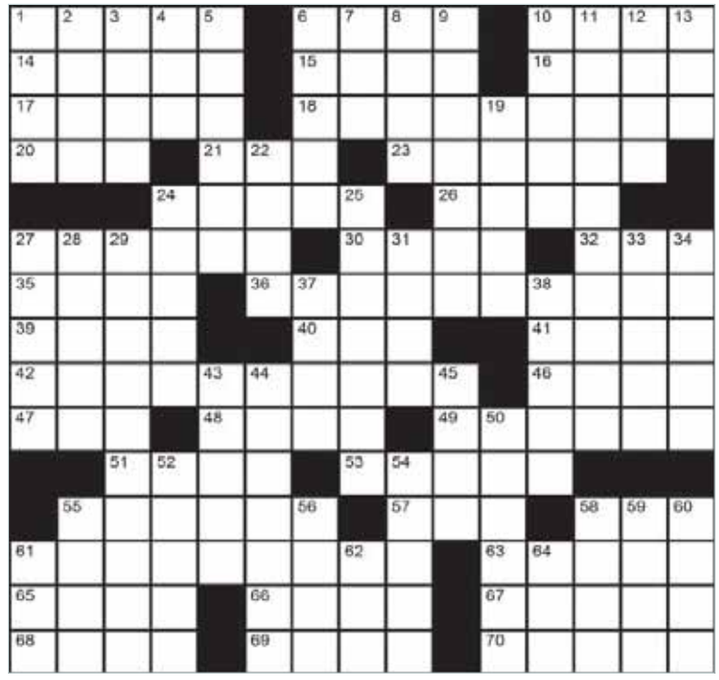
♐ Sagittarius
Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
You may want the good times to last forever but you need to get serious and, among other things, turn your attention inward, to what makes you tick.

♑ Capricorn
Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
The Sun in Scorpio over the next few weeks will present you with numerous opportunities to showcase your creativity.

♒ Aquarius
Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
A great opportunity will arrive at just the right time, in just the right place and in just the right way over the next few days, so make sure you are ready for it.

♓ Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
You may not have enjoyed the past few weeks as much as some people but you have to admit you learned some valuable lessons. Now you will get the chance to apply what you have learned.

Crossword: Canada Across and Down by Kelly Ann Buchanan



Across
1. Speedy, fast-__
6. Car's beeper
10. Fleece
14. Natural pigment
15. Classical song type
16. __ paper (School assignment)
17. Luba's "__ Before the Calm"
18. Le Chateau __ (Quebec City landmark)
20. Li'l tea party accessory
21. Choose
23. Follower of The Way
24. As such, Latin-style: 2 wds.
26. "Pay __ __ mind."
27. Acquiesce
30. Actress Ms. Rogers
32. Mil. force
35. Golfing norms
36. News story told through pictures: 2 wds.
39. William Wallace, for example
40. River of Hiroshima
41. "__, __ quiet ...pleeeze!"
42. Comfy seats: 2 wds.
46. Lively tune
47. Therefores
48. French writer Victor
49. Ties the knot in secret
51. Damp day reason
53. Brother on "Frasier"
55. Titles like Dracula's
57. Canadian cinematic org.
58. Pepe Le Who?
61. The Guess Who founding member/original lead singer: 2 wds.
63. __ for the Top (Quiz program for Canadian students)
65. "Well, ___ known that..."
66. Detective novelist, __ Stanley Gardner
67. Garden products brand
68. Dog, with Lhasa
69. Flanders river
70. Aeries

Down
1. Mail: Canada __
2. Does dialogue
3. Cut
4. Be in the wrong
5. Showcased the product
6. Weapon handles
7. The Cars singer Benjamin
8. Uprising
9. Vancouver Island city
10. Beer mug
11. Fighting __ (Part of the mission of nonpartisan writers organization PEN Canada)
12. "How now, _ __?" - Hamlet
13. Ancient's 2100
19. Comedian Ms. Fields
22. Casually trendy student, nicknamed
24. Irritating
25. Bee Gees penned tune Destiny's Child covered
27. Vaulted church parts
28. Chocolate source
29. __ Christian Communications (Burlington, Ontario based producer of the daily talk show at #44-Down)
31. __-TASS (Russian news agency)
33. Knitting: __ stitch
34. Tsar's turndowns
37. Author, Tami __
38. Arias
43. Beijing's locale
44. As per #29-Down... "100 __ Street", since 1977
45. __-belief (Confidence)
50. Basketball star Mr. James
52. Sound
54. __ tube (Lake fun thing)
55. Bloke
56. Certain cameras, curtly
58. Butter portions
59. Real
60. "Look __ Talking" (1989)
61. Steeped beverage
62. Ginger __
64. Afore

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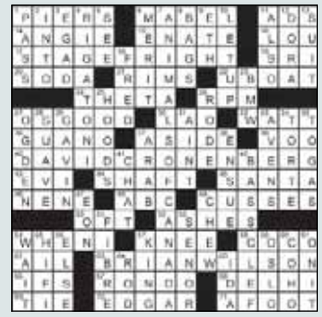

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Yesterday's Sudoku

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BELOW ZERO EVENT

DEALS BETTER THAN ZERO PERCENT!

GET UP TO **0%** PURCHASE FINANCING† FOR 60 MONTHS

+

GET UP TO **$2,045** IN CASH BACK PRICE ADJUSTMENTSΩ

Get up to 5% in cash back on select models.

Cash back applied to reduce purchase priceΩ

2014 Elantra "Highest Ranked Compact Car in Initial Quality in the U.S.Δ"

Limited model shown♦

THE NEW 2015 ELANTRA

HWY: **6.7**L/100 KM
CITY: **9.7**L/100 KM▼

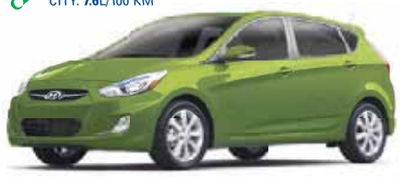
0% PURCHASE FINANCING† | **84** MONTHS + **$1,362** IN 5% CASH BACK PRICE ADJUSTMENTSΩ

2014 Accent "Highest Ranked Small Car in Initial Quality in the U.S.Δ"

WHEN EQUIPPED WITH FORWARD COLLISION WARNING. For more information visit www.iihs.org

2014 IIHS TOP SAFETY PICK+

HWY: **5.2**L/100 KM
CITY: **7.6**L/100 KM▼



GLS model shown♦

2014 ACCENT 5DR

0% PURCHASE FINANCING† | **84** MONTHS

+ **$1,037** IN 5% CASH BACK PRICE ADJUSTMENTSΩ

HWY: **7.4**L/100 KM
CITY: **10.4**L/100 KM▼

Limited model shown♦

THE ALL-NEW 2015 SONATA

0% PURCHASE FINANCING† | **60** MONTHS

+ **$1,825** IN 5% CASH BACK PRICE ADJUSTMENTSΩ

HWY: **7.9**L/100 KM
CITY: **11.0**L/100 KM▼

Limited model shown♦

2014 SANTA FE SPORT

0% PURCHASE FINANCING† | **60** MONTHS

+ **$2,045** IN 5% CASH BACK PRICE ADJUSTMENTSΩ

ABSOLUTE LAST CHANCE ON 2014 MODELS!!

UP TO **$5,000** IN PRICE ADJUSTMENTSΩ

Amount available on the 2014 Sonata Hybrid Limited Tech

Dealers may charge additional fees for administration of up to $499. Charges may vary by Dealer.

5 YEAR WARRANTY

5-year/100,000 km Comprehensive Limited Warranty††
5-year/100,000 km Powertrain Warranty
5-year/100,000 km Emission Warranty

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